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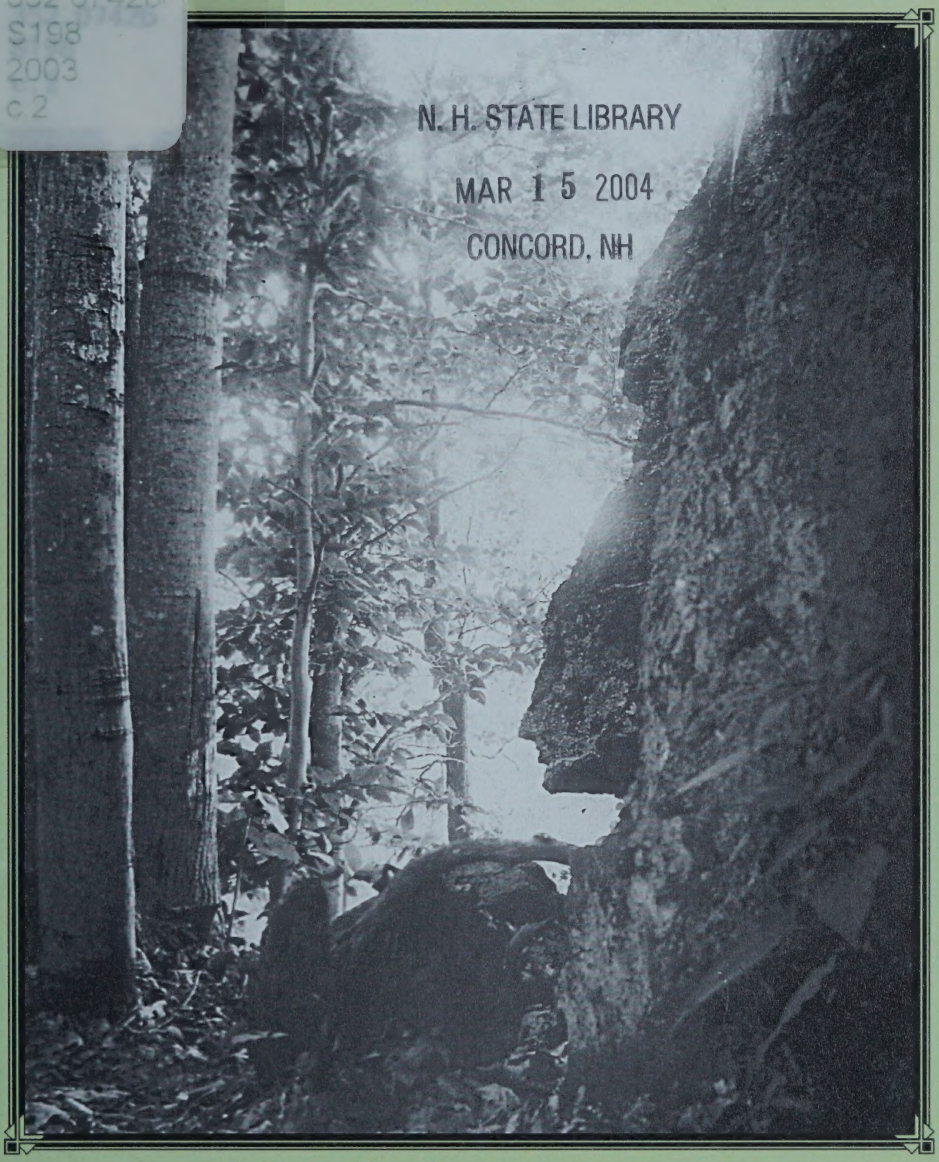

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Ambulance Service	524-1545
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Fire Department (Non-Emergency)	286-4819
Health Officer	934-5946
Historic District Commission	286-7833
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Recreation Commission	286-2659
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Winnisquam Regional High School	286-4531
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Montessori House of Children (private)	934-3007

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Town Office Address

Mailing: P.O. Box 124 Sanbornton, NH 03269
Location: 573 Sanborn Road, in the Town Square

***Cover**. Remembering NH's "Old Man" with Sanbornton's own. This rock formation is located in Profile Grove off Pound Road.*

~ Photo courtesy of Evelyn Auger

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

TOWN OF SANBORNTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DEDICATION

Betty Weiant

Dr. Elizabeth "Betty" Weiant retired to her Sanbornton home on Tower Hill Road in 1979. Betty had been a frequent visitor of Mildred Coombs who introduced her to our Community.

Betty's primary and secondary education was Connecticut oriented. She was born in New Britian, CT. When Betty discovered her true vocation as a teacher of sciences, she transferred her Westbrook College of Maine credits to Jackson College for Women, Tufts University and earned her Bachelor of Science Degree. She received a Master of Science Degree from Tufts University and a Master of Arts Degree from Radcliffe College. Her Doctor of Education Degree was from Boston University.

Dr. Weiant taught at Tufts University and Simmons College. She received many awards and honors during her academic career, which included being listed in "Who's Who of American Women" a biographical dictionary of notable living American Women. Dr. Weiant ultimately served as a Trustee of Tufts University.

Upon her retirement, Betty adapted quickly to NH and in particular to Sanbornton. Betty was President of the Sanbornton Historical Society, and later its curator. She was a member of the Sanbornton Historic Commission, Conservation Commission and a Trustee of Trust Funds. She was also a member of the Women's Auxiliary of the Sanbornton Fire Department. With all her other activities, Betty decided to learn to fly. She took wonderful aerial pictures of our community. Betty's membership in the Concord Camera Club added dimensions to her work as a correspondent for our town to the Laconia Evening Citizen (she also worked for the Concord Monitor and the Telegram). Betty found time for nature walks with school children. Betty traveled to many foreign countries studying their cultures and learned to speak one new language. She brought home beautiful pictures and wonderful stories to share with local audiences.

Betty's achievements were recognized by many. The Tilton-Northfield Business and Professional Women's Club gave her the "Woman of Achievement Award" in 1980. In 1990, the Belknap Pomona Grange #4 extended to Dr. Weiant the "Award for Public Service". And, Dr. Weiant, was named to two "Who's Who" editions: "Who's Who in the East 1997-98", and "Who's Who in Medicine and Health Care 1997-98".

To all of us who know Betty, we know that there are many other Sanbornton activities in which she has participated that are not listed. We thank her for all of her energy and enthusiasm that she has graciously shared throughout the years.

~Photo courtesy of Edna Hansen

IN RECOGNITION

Alta Hersey
Boston Post Cane Recipient

Alta was presented with the Boston Post Cane at the Sanbornton Old Home Day Church service on August 3, 2003. The presentation was given by Elizabeth Cotsibas and Richard Currier whose father, George Currier, held the honor until May 29, 2003. Alta and George were friends all of their lives.

Alta is a lifelong resident of Sanbornton being born on June 23, 1906 at the home of her parents Frank and Grace Hersey on March Road. Up until 1974, she spent her life living and working on their family's dairy farm at which time moved across the field to live with her sister and now her nephew. She was active in town organizations as well as the Harmony Grange.

Alta is famous for her raised doughnuts with fresh maple syrup made at the Hersey Farm.

~ Photo courtesy of Dolly Elliott

Thank you and Good Luck!!

Both Priscilla Bodwell and Richard Robinson deserve a big "thank you" from the Town of Sanbornton. After 30+ years of employment with the Town, Priscilla Bodwell retired as Director/Librarian of the Sanbornton Public Library in 2003. And after 20+ years with the Sanbornton Police Department, Richard Robinson retired as Police Chief. Thank you both for so many years of dedicated service to the Town of Sanbornton and its residents.

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ELECTED OFFICIALS AND STAFF

Board of Selectmen

Peter Dascoulias, Chairman (05)
Ralph Carter (04) Guy Giunta (06)

Joanne T. Dover, Administrative Assistant, resigned
Mary E.S. Williams, Town Administrator, resigned
Stacey A. Atherton, Assessment Records Clerk
Linda Jamele, Bookkeeper, resigned
Terry Hersh, Bookkeeper
James C. Wells, Zoning Enforcement Officer

Budget Committee

John Bobula, Chairman (05), resigned
Jim Grotton, Chairman (05)
Earl Leighton, Jr., (06)
John Purple (04)
Jeffrey Jenkins (06) John Dodge (04)
Guy Giunta, Jr., Selectmen's Representative

Andrea J. Damato, Recording Secretary

Highway Department

Ed Griffin, Road Agent (03)
Mark Jenness, Supervisor
Brian Nelson Walter Joslyn
Guy Giunta David Grant
Lloyd Howes, resigned Jeremy Perkins, resigned

Moderator

Donald P. Foudriat (04)

Overseer of the Public Welfare

Christine Thompson (04)

Sanbornton Public Library

Library Trustees

Debra Wyman, Chairwoman (05)
Linda VanValkenburgh (04)
Ross Smart (04) Russell Spearman (05)
Janet Gilman (06)
Michael Glines (04), resigned

Chris Finer, Co-Director / Librarian
Priscilla Bodwell, Co-Director / Librarian, resigned
Diane Mitton, Co-Director / Librarian, resigned
Martha Bodwell, Technical Services Librarian
Debra Clement, Library Assistant
Cheryl Provost, Library Assistant

Supervisors of the Checklist

Sheila Dodge, Chairman (04)
Phyllis A. Auger (06), resigned
Everett Joslyn (08) Mary Earley, appointed

Town Clerk - Tax Collector

Jane Goss (05)
Lurana Joslyn, Deputy

Treasurer

Susan Shannon (05)

Trustee of Trust Funds

John Bobula, Chairman (05)
James Piscopo (04), resigned
David Knapp (03), resigned Terry Hersh, (03), resigned
Anne Cioffi, appointed Curt McGee, appointed

State Representatives to the NH General Court

Gordon E. Bartlett, Belmont
Robert LaFlam, Sanbornton
Francine Wendelboe, New Hampton

NH State Senate District 2

Carl Johnson, Meredith

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

Assessor
Gregory Heyn

Cemetery Committee
Peter Hibberd, Chairman
Sally Hibberd Mildred Shaw
Robert Bodwell Evelyn Auger
Ralph Carter, Selectmen's Representative

Conservation Commission
Karen Bordeau, Chairman (03), resigned
Wayne Elliott, Chairman (04)
John Dodge (05)
Deborah Lynch, Member and Recording Secretary (05)
Peter Dascoulias, Selectmen's Representative

Alternate
Tom Morrison

Fire Department
Jerry Busby, Fire Chief

Deputy Fire Chiefs
Steve Surowiec Scott Taylor

Captain
Craig Simpson, resigned

Lieutenants
Mark Foster Paul Moore
Ben Burlingame

Firefighters

Gary Courtney
Jennifer Dykstra
Nicole Gondello
Gregory Lawrence
Stephanie Read
Julie Stendor
Catherine Wilson
Benjamin Downes
David Grant
Steve Gorman
Jen LeBel
Gregory Sanderson
Jeff Stendor
Celina Dykstra
Eric Jensen
Andrew Nicholls
Dennis Paquet
Ray Smith
Linda Surowiec

Resigned: Stan Barnes, Guy Giunta III, Dennis Huckins, Deb Laraway, Greg Pabst, Doug Sargent, Gary Shaffer, Louisa Simpson, Russ Spearman

Forest Fire Warden

Jerry Busby, Warden

Deputy Wardens

Robert Bodwell
Ben Burlingame
Mark Foster
Richard Gray
Jon Sanborn
Steve Surowiec
Scott Taylor

Health Officer

William Tobin

Highway Safety/Transportation Advisory Committee

Wayne Elliott, Chairman
Richard Robinson, Police Chief, resigned
Mark Barton, Police Chief
Ed Griffin, Road Agent
Jerry Busby, Fire Chief
Gavin MacDonald
Dan Curran
Ralph Carter, Selectmen's Representative

Trisha Goss, Recording Secretary

Historic District Commission

Karen Bartlett, Chairwoman (04)
Brian O'Connor, Secretary (04)
Thomas Kuhner (04) Priscilla Bodwell (06)
Don Kent (06)

Alternates

Linda Salatiello (04) Phil Bodwell (04)
Guy Giunta, Selectmen's Representative

Joint Loss Prevention Committee

Mark Barton, Chief of Police
Roger Pelletier Wayne Elliott
Gavin MacDonald
Ralph Carter, Selectmen's Representative
Resigned: Richard Robinson, Stanley Barnes, Joanne Dover, Jon Sanborn

Lakes Region Planning Commission Representatives

Earl Leighton, Jr.

Old Graveyards and Cemeteries

Sally D. Hibberd

Office of Emergency Management

Jerry Busby, Director and E-911 Coordinator
Stanley Barnes, resigned

Planning Board

John Purple, Chairman (05)
Tom Morrison (04) Janet Robitaille (05)
Helmut Busack (04)
Ralph Carter, Selectmen's Representative

Alternates
Dick Gardner Bill Whalen
Mark Salvador Donna Thompson

Planner
Katie Surowiec, resigned
John Bobula, resigned

Recording Secretary
Christine Thompson, resigned

Resigned: Jack Potter, Fraz Vail, John Grobman, Scott Beckett, Evelyn Auger, Linda Salatiello

Police Department

Mark R. Barton, Chief of Police
Gavin MacDonald, Lieutenant
Stephen Hankard, Seargent
Richard W. Robinson, retired

Patrolmen
Jeff Buskey
Mark Magoon
Earl Gage
Paul Moller, resigned

Part-time Patrolmen
Tracy N. Trammel
Steve Houten
Lester Milton
Valerie Russell, resigned

Animal Control
Tom Carroll

Administrative Assistant
Trisha Goss

Recreation Commission

Corey Robinson, Chairman (04)
Celeste Craig (03) Joel Smith (05)
Tracy Wood (06)
Peter Dascoulias, Selectmen's Representative
Julie Lonergan, Coordinator

Solid Waste Disposal Committee

Richard Larrivee, Chairman (05)
Robert C. White (04) Peter Drouin (04)
Bob Bodwell (05)
Patricia Shattuck, Alternate
Mary E. O'Neil, Facility Manager
Ralph Carter, Selectmen's Representative
Trisha Goss, Recording Secretary

Transfer Station/Recycling Center
Mary E. O'Neil, Facility Manager
June Plummer Jane Goodwin
David Dow Richard Hunkins
Cliff Steinhauer, resigned Edward Steinhauer, resigned

Town Hall Restoration Committee

Andrew Sanborn, Chairman
Jean Surowiec Jackie Sandstrom
Lori Budington Bob Bodwell
Jim Wells Elizabeth Rose Kevin Roy
Lisa Maier NitaTomaszewski
Carmine Cioffi and Richard Spinner, Consulting Members

Town Website Committee

Jack Potter Bob Bodwell
Karen Bartlett Bruce Kneuer
Deborah Lynch Teresa Spinner

Zoning Board of Adjustment

James VanValkenburgh, Chairman (05)
Jean Surowiec (05)
Frank Tibbetts (05)
Dennis Pancoe (03)

Alternates
Raymond Beaupre (05) Peter Thompson (05)
Timothy Grant (05) Elaine Townsley (05)
Philip Bonafide (05)

Ann Littlefield, Recording Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

2003 was a year of significant challenges for the Board of Selectmen, but a year that saw changes and improvements in many areas.

The board worked this year to obtain some much needed accountability in the management of our town. We are working with a new auditor, Mr. Paul Mercier, who has been of assistance to us in many areas. We are also working with the law firm of Donahue, Tucker, and Ciandella, and are very pleased to have their assistance. A number of new folks have joined us in key positions and we would like to welcome them. Bruce Kneuer is the new Town Administrator. Terry Hersh has rejoined the staff as the Bookkeeper. Mark Barton was promoted to Chief of Police; and, Chris Finer is the new Library Director. The rest of the staff continues to do the outstanding work that they have always done to meet the needs of the community. We sincerely thank them for their efforts and their dedication.

Municipal Resources Incorporated (MRI) provided us with an interim Town Administrator on a couple of occasions and with a significant amount of help in the accounting area. As a result, we have gotten a much better understanding of our accounting software's capabilities and shortfalls and what we need for the future. MRI and our auditor have recommended that we consider the purchase of software designed specifically for municipal use. We have done some research and agree with their recommendations.

Buildings in town have suffered for some time from a lack of maintenance. We hope to take care of some of these needs through the current budget and are working to put the town back on track with a capital improvements program. This program would allow us to replace major pieces of equipment and make capital investments on a planned basis and avoid erratic jumps in the tax rate.

The greatest challenge that we faced this year was the town-wide revaluation. It has been completed. We were able to get one set of tax bills out early enough to start a revenue stream for the town and allow us to repay the Tax Anticipation Notes, used to provide funds for continuing operations, before the end of January. This action saved us thousands of dollars in interest. Getting the bills out before the end of December also permitted most residents who so desired to deduct their property taxes on their Federal Income Tax Returns. Had we not been allowed to process bills using early 2003 assessments, tax bills would not have been sent until well into 2004. Despite the fact that we had anticipated problems and took steps to try and minimize their impact, it took us a month and a half after the revaluation was completed to clear up software interface problems and produce the information to set the tax rate based on new values. On a related matter, we encourage you to support the issuance of tax bills twice a year so that we don't face the expense of borrowing millions of dollars each year after June to continue to operate.

(Board of Selectmen continued)

The Board of Selectmen would like to commend both the Welfare Officer and the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the work that they have done this past year. Thousands of dollars of taxpayer money used to help fellow citizens has been recovered for the town by the Welfare Officer with the support of the Selectmen. This was a very controversial issue. You should know that the Selectmen feel strongly that it is the responsibility of a community to work together to assist citizens in need. We would never request repayment of assistance from someone unable to afford it. Liens placed are only executed if, and when, property is sold and the seller will make a profit allowing them to repay. We also, however, believe in personal responsibility and feel that it is only fair to those taxpayers whose dollars are borrowed that the money be returned to the town, if possible, to help someone else. In fact, there are statutes that govern this.

The Trust Funds have also been the subject of much controversy over the last several years. The Trustees of the Trust Funds have now done a very thorough review of all of the fund accounts and have answered the many questions presented them. They have also familiarized themselves with documentation related to the original intent of the trusts. We encourage you to read the write-ups related to Welfare and Trust Funds included in this report.

Finally, we would like to thank all of the citizens of Sanbornton that have devoted their time and efforts to assist the community. It is often difficult these days to find time for oneself. To give of one's precious free time for the common good is really to be commended. Thanks to all who have served on our many boards and committees in town and to those who have individually given of their time or assets to make Sanbornton a better place.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Dascoulias

Board of Selectmen
Peter Dascoulias, Chairman
Ralph Carter
Guy Giunta, Jr.

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON
MARCH 11, 2003

Pursuant to the warrant for the 2003 Town Meeting, the Moderator, Donald Foudriat opened the polls at 7:00 AM on March 11, 2003. The warrant was read by the Moderator. 1631 names were on the checklist, 31 new registered voters were added , for a total of 1662 (37% took part in the election). A Total of 615 ballots were cast, including absentees.

At 1:00 PM Absentee Ballots were processed. 33 ballots were accepted. Three ballots were rejected (2 voted in person and 1 was rejected). Absentee Voter List is sealed, not be opened only by court order Per RSA 657:15 and RSA 658:27.

The polls closed promptly at 7:00 PM.

The results of the counting of the ballots follows:

Budget Committee
1 Year Term (1)
John A. Purple 476

Budget Committee
3 Year Term (2)
Jeffrey W. Jenkins 370
Earl Leighton 457

Overseer of Public Welfare
1 Year Term (1)
Christine M. Thompson 390
Evelyn Auger 198

Selectman
1 Year Term (1)
Guy J. Giunta Jr.451
Helmut Busack 61
Tom Salatiello 15
Jon Sanborn 12

Trustee of The Trust Funds
3 Year Term (1)
Terry L. Hersh 483

Library Trustee
1 Year Term (1)
Linda VanValkenburgh 516

Library Trustee
3 Year Term (1)
Janet S. Gilman 524

Road Agent
1 Year Term (1)
Ed Griffin 451
Richard W. Bennett 122

Supervisor of The Checklist
5 Year Term (1)
Everett W. Joslyn 510

All write-ins that received under 5 votes are not listed. Contact your Town clerk for a complete list.

RESULTS OF THE VOTE ON ZONING AMENDMENTS

Amendment #1

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 13 (Floodplain Conservation District) Paragraph (B) District Boundaries, subparagraph (1) Definition – Floodplain and subparagraph (2) Establishment of District. A floodplain is any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source is therefore subject to restrictions on its development. The floodplain in Sanbornton is comprised of all land designated as Special Flood Hazard Areas on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and the Flood Boundary and Floodway Map (FBFM) for the Town of Sanbornton, dated June 15, 1979, and any amendments thereto. The limits of the Floodplain Conservation District are hereby determined to be those areas designated as Floodway on the FBFM and the FIRM as Zones A, A1, A2, and A4.

Yes **[264]** No **[247]**

Amendment #2

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 13 (Floodplain Conservation District) and insert new paragraphs (E) Permit required and (F) Non-conforming Structures and re-letter existing paragraph (E) as (G). A permit is required for any of the uses that are permitted in the Floodplain Conservation District. Applications for floodplain development shall be made on forms provided by the Selectmen. Any repair, reconstruction, or improvement to a pre-existing structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50% of the market value of the structure, is subject to the NFIP construction requirements contained in CFR 44, Part 60.3.

Yes **[255]** No **[286]**

Amendment #3

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 3 (Definitions) and insert alphabetically the definition for Impervious Surfaces. Impervious Surfaces are composed of any material that impedes or prevents natural infiltration of water into the soil. Impervious surfaces shall include, but are not limited to, roofed structures, decks, driveways, patios, sidewalks, parking areas, tennis courts, concrete or asphalt surfaces, compacted gravel surfaces and swimming pools.

(Zoning Results continued)

Yes **[277]** No **[247]**

Amendment #4
Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 9 (Historic Preservation District) Paragraph B. Use of land in the Historical Preservation District shall be limited to dwellings, public buildings, churches, schools, non-profit organizations (dedicated to cultural, historical, agricultural, and conservation endeavors), and home industries or home occupations as provided for under Article 4 Paragraph (S) of the Ordinance.

Yes **[253]** No **[290]**

Amendment #5
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 3 (Definitions) number 28 "Right-of-Way". Right-of-Way means and includes all range roads, Town, state and federal highways and the land on either side of the same as covered by statutes to determine the widths of the rights-of-way. The location of the right-of-way for setback purposes shall be determined by lay out, deeded easement, prescription, or by the abutting property lines.

Yes **[308]** No **[223]**

Amendment #6
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 8 (Recreation District) paragraph (A)(7). Where a seasonal dwelling is converted for year-round living purposes, it must be demonstrated that there is sufficient land area for a state/local approved septic system and well, if applicable. A notification form shall be filed with the Board of Selectmen for each proposed conversion.

Yes **[373]** No **[178]**

Amendment #7
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 4 (General Provisions) Paragraph (C) Advertising Signs sub

(Zoning Results continued)

paragraph (9). Signs not requiring a permit are as follows:

(a) Nameplates. One sign per dwelling unit, not exceeding 5 square feet in sign face area, stating the name or other means of identifying the property.

(b) Announcements. Non profit organizations may display two signs for each event not to exceed 32 square feet in aggregate sign face area, during a period not to exceed 30 days prior to and 3 days after said event.

(c) Construction signs. Not more than two signs identifying the owner, contractor, and the design professionals having an aggregate sign face area of 32 square feet may be displayed on an active construction site. Signs may be displayed upon approved construction and not to exceed 30 days after completion of the construction.

(d) Yard Sale Signs. Not more than two signs with an aggregate sign face area of 16 square feet may be displayed within 7 days prior to the opening of the sale.

(e) Farm Produce Signs. Owners of lots, where farm produce is offered for sale, may display 2 on-site signs not to exceed 32 square feet in aggregate sign face area. Off-site directional signs at each intersection in the Town right-of-way is subject to approval by the Board of Selectmen.

(f) Real Estate Signs in all districts shall comply with Article 4 (C)(10).

Yes **[310]** No **[224]**

Amendment #8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 7 (Forest Conservation) Paragraph A section (1). The Forest Conservation District shall mainly be a district of large tracts of forest and open land. The future use of land shall be in accordance with the Sanbornton Master Plan and in a manner consistent with current ownership patterns and use. The development of the Forest Conservation District shall be phased in a manner compatible with the Capital Improvement Program.

Majority Vote by the Planning Board

Yes **[281]** No **[262]**

SCHOOL BALLOT
WINNISQUAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MARCH 11, 2003

Moderator
1 Year Term (1)

Kenneth Randall	**516**

School Board Sanbornton
3 Year Term (1)

Thomas Salatiello	**308**
Katy DeCarteret	199

School Board Tilton
3 Year Term (1)

Pam Washburn	**287**
Lynn Long	122

School Board Tilton
2 Year Term (1)

Michael Gagne	**201**
Kevin Washburn	151
Joseph Kevlin	58

School Board Northfield
3 Year Term (1)

Valerie Allen	**256**
Rebecca Fredette	149

All write-ins that received under 5 votes are not listed. Contact your Town Clerk for a complete list.

2003 Town Meeting Minutes
Town of Sanbornton
State of New Hampshire
March 12, 2003

The 2003 Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Moderator, Donald P Foudriat. Voters were reminded to check with the Supervisors of the checklist to obtain their voting card. The Moderator then requested identification of handicapped person who might need assistance to participate in the meeting. Next Brownie Troop # 639, and Girl Scout Junior Troop #364 presented the colors and also the Pledge of Allegiance under the direction of their leaders Julie Lonergan, Emily Galvin, Deb Smith, Barbara Whetstone, and Lisa Maier. The invocation was lead by the Reverend Robert Fisher, Pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Sanbornton, followed by a moment of silence which observed for the members of the Sanbornton community whom have passed away during the last year. Finally, introduction of Town Officials were made, including Patrick Wood, Town Counsel. Appointments of Assistant Moderator's, Dick Gardner, Larry Goss, Scott Taylor.

Selectman, Thomas Salatiello was recognized for the following presentations: Jon Sanborn and Joanne Dover were recognized for their many years of service to the Town of Sanbornton as was Dolly Elliott for her many years and hours of service on the Recreation Commission. A standing ovation was given.

Selectman, Ralph Carter was recognized for the following presentation: Thomas Salatiello was honored for the service he has done for the town and was presented with a gavel from the Town of Sanbornton. A standing ovation was given.

The Moderator recognized Police Chief, Richard Robinson for the following presentation: Chief Robinson recognized Officer Jeff Buskey for his outstanding performance in serving the Town of Sanbornton and the State of New Hampshire. A Letter of Commendation was read by Robinson, and signed by the The Board of Selectmen. A standing ovation was given.

Election results were read by the Moderator.

The Moderator requested a motion to Accept "March 13,2002 Town Meeting Minutes", which are shown on pages 15-31 in the Town Report.

Evelyn Auger made comment on article #4 and asked that the hand count be inserted in the minutes. **Hand Count was taken. Yes 91 No 155**. The Moderator directed that all hand counts, should be listed in the minutes.

The Moderator asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Motion made by Thomas Salatiello. Seconded by Raph Carter.

(Town meeting minutes continued)

The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Moderator requested a motion to Accept "June 24, 2002 Special Town Meeting Minutes" which are shown on pages 32-38 of the town report.

Joanne Dover asked, if on the 3rd paragraph of the minutes, the name Stephania Rozalia Surowiec could be inserted.

The Moderator asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Motion made by Ralph Carter. Seconded by Thomas Salatiello.

The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Moderator's Rules were accepted.

The Moderator read Article # 1 as follows:
Article 1.
Submitted by Petition – Health Care for New Hampshire
The Health Care for New Hampshire Resolution

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and
Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and
Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and
Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Sanbornton, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un - and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

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The Moderator recognized Tom Salatiello for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

With there being no discussion, the Moderator called for the vote. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #1 as read passed.**

The Moderator read Article #2 as follows:
Article 2.
Submitted by Petition – Establishment of a Heritage Commission
To see if the Town will vote to establish a Heritage Commission in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673 and RSA 674, or take any other action relating thereto.

> To establish a Heritage Commission and a Heritage Fund in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673 and RSA 674:44-a, 44-b, 44-d, and 44-c if applicable (supp. 1995)."]

The Moderator recognized Andrew Sanborn for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Andy Sanborn spoke in favor of the article and offered explanation about the Heritage Commission and funding.

John Dodge spoke in opposition of the article, commenting on property rights being taken away.

Richard Tyler on Tower Hill Rd spoke in favor of the article and that it was his understanding that the Heritage Commission is only an advisory board.

Christine Thompson spoke of the regulatory powers this commission will have.

Ken Reichstein offered the following amendment:
Amendment is to limit the advisory power of the Heritage Commission to the town hall only. Seconded by Kevin Roy.

Helmut Busack spoke in opposition of the amendment and commented on the State limiting the Heritage Commission to only one building.

John Bobula supports the amendment as limited to the town hall and further stated that there should be no other concerns for the town.

Al Larson spoke in opposition because of the involvement of the state, but further stated that the town hall should be brought up to standards by the town.

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Jean Surowiec spoke in favor of the amendment and offered explanation on the commission as to who would be on the board.

There was a call for the question. **The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative.**

The Moderator read Article #2 as amended as follows:
Amend Article #2 to limit the advisory power of the heritage Commission to the Town Hall only.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
The Moderator declared Article #2 as amended failed.

Sanborn asked the town attorney, Patrick Wood the following question:
Does a Heritage Commission as purposed this evening have any regulatory powers what so ever without valid vote of the town at town meeting. That is with the understanding that the Town of Sanbornton already has a Historic District Commission.

Patrick Wood quoted the statute to read; it is only an advisory board as long as there is a Historic District Commission. If the Historic District Commission is abolished, then it would assume those roles. It is only advisory to the Historic District, Planning Board and other organizations that would like their assistance.

Peter Dumont, Lower Smith Rd commented on the deed to his property.

Carmine Smith, Rufus Colby Rd questioned the property rights of citizens.

Jack Potter spoke in favor and commented on the amendments voted at the town elections on March 11, 2003.

Katie Surowiec gave an overview of the Master Plan and the Heritage Commission. Surowiec made comments to a 1998 survey and 2001 Community Profile.

Bobula directed a question to town counsel; in one of its provisions the Heritage Commission allows for the commission to have the same regulatory powers as the Historic District Commission. Is that provision in the proposal listed under article #2?

Wood quoted two statutes and further commented, that the authorization would come from the local body and need a vote of the town.

Tom Abbott, who lives in the Historic District, spoke in opposition.

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Anne Busack and Peter Thompson spoke in opposition quoting chapters and RSA's on the Heritage Commission.

There was a call for the question. **The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative.**

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
Hand Count was taken. Yes 90 No 165
It was in the negative and the Moderator declared Article #2 as read failed.

Gloria Murazsko made a motion to restrict reconsideration. Seconded by John Dodge.

The Moderator called for the vote on the motion. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the motion passed.**

The Moderator read Article #3 as follows:
Article 3.
Submitted by Petition – Appointment of a Heritage Commission Members
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint 5 citizens as members of the Heritage Commission pursuant to the provisions of RSA 673:4-a and RSA 673:5, and to appoint not more than 5 additional citizens as alternate members, or take any other action relating thereto.

Jeff Jenkins made a motion to table. Seconded by Dick Gardner.
The Moderator called for a vote on the motion. **It was in the negative and the Moderator declared the motion failed.**

There was a vote to call the question. **The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative.**

Being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the negative and the Moderator declared Article #3 as read failed.

The Moderator read Article #4 as follows:
Article 4.
Submitted by Petition - Abolish the Town Hall Restoration Committee
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the abolition of the Sanbornton Town Hall Restoration Committee, because of its political pursuits in establishing commissions, beneficial to its members and affiliates (present and former Town officials) rather then concentrating its time and efforts into restoring the old Town Hall.

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The Moderator recognized Helmut Busack for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Tom Abbott.

Helmut Busack gave an overview of the accounting, funding and architectural work of the Town Hall Restoration Committee. The Committee was formed to restore the town hall. The voters, voted in money to restore the town hall.

Andy Sanborn spoke in regard to the petition and its wording. Sanborn stated that he felt the petitioners had been mislead and that this is an advisory committee and has no control over town funds. The Town Hall Restoration Committee is under the direction of the selectmen.

Joe Damato questioned the infrastructure of all town buildings and the decisions on which buildings should be taken care of first.

Fran Belcher spoke about the false information fed to the public. Belcher relayed they were only in the planning stages of a construction project. The Committee agrees that the time is not right for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of this building. Belcher mentioned that The Town Hall Restoration Committee minutes are available at the town office.

John Dodge questioned the committee on whether they were a Town Hall Restoration or Town Hall Reconstruction Committee?

Sanborn offered an explanation.

Katy DeCarteret thanked everyone for the hard work that has been done on the committee. DeCarteret spoke on the community profile and mentioned that the town hall was inspected by Bill Tobin and it would cost approximately $20,000 for repairs, in order for the town hall to be used for functions. DeCarteret questioned Andy Sanborn on the 2:1 match in dollars and where would that money come from?

Sanborn offered explanation.

Decarteret said Sanborn's explanation did not answer her question.

Terry Hersh, commented on bids for the architect.

John Dodge made comment about the bathrooms in the town hall.

Melissa Morrison, made comments about the minutes being posted and the volunteering in the community.

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Jackie Sandstom, secretary of Town Hall Restoration, addressed the facts about the minutes and bids for the architect. Sandstrom also spoke on the stability of the town hall.

Evelyn Auger made comments about the town hall when it was functional.

DeCarteret stated it's not about the missing minutes, it is about information mentioned in the minutes that are missing. Reference was made to page 73 in the Town Report.

The Moderator called for a vote on the question. **It was in the affirmative.**

Point of Order by Bill Tobin.
Tobin wanted to talk to Town Counsel as to legality of this petition. Does this petition contain unsubstantiated allegations of wrong doing by the officials of the town?

Patrick Wood commented it speaks for itself with no opinion whether it is legal or illegal.

Tobin offered further comment about the article and questioned the legality of this petition and also the defamation of character and continued to comment regarding volunteers and officials of the town.

Wood stated that he offered on opinion on the legality whether it is or is not defamation of character. Wood felt it was not up to him, as town counsel to advise on this matter.

Point of Order by Richard Tyler.
Tyler questioned town counsel as to any recourse to sue the town for slander?

Wood offered explanation.

Christine Thompson had a question to the amendment of this article, the Moderator asked if it was point of order?

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote. **It was in the negative and the Moderator declared Article #4 as read failed.**

Katie Surowiec made a motion to restrict reconsideration on Article #4. Seconded by Kent Dover. **The Moderator called for the vote and declared the motion in the affirmative.**

The audio tapes are part of the minutes and can be reviewed for full

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discussions of petition and warrant articles at the town clerk's office during business hours.

The Moderator announced that a request for a ballot vote on Article #5 was received.

The Moderator read Article #5 as follows:
Article 5.
Submitted by Petition - Prevent Establishment of Heritage Commission
To see if the Town will vote to authorize to prevent the establishment of a Heritage Commission which would operate under RSA 674:44-b (POWERS), specifically:

I (a) Survey and inventory all cultural resources
(b) ---------- to establish the legal basis for a district & preparation of historic district ordinances ----------.
(e) Coordinate activities with appropriate service organizations & nonprofit groups.
(g) Hire consultants and contractors as needed.
(h) Receive gifts of money & property, both real & personal, in the name of the city or Town, subject to the approval of the city council in a city or the board of selectmen in a Town, such gifts to be managed & controlled by the commission for its proper purposes.

II PROPERTY. The commission may acquire, in the name of the Town or city, subject to the approval of the local governing body, by gift, purchase, grant, bequest, devise, lease, or otherwise, a fee or lesser interest, development rights, covenant, or other contractual right, including conveyances with conditions, limitations, or reversions, as may be necessary to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, limit the future use of, or otherwise conserve and properly use the cultural resources of the city of Town, and shall manage and control the same; provided, however, that the city, Town, or commission shall not have the right to condemn property for these purposes.

III HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION. Heritage commissions also may assume, if authorized by local legislative body, the composition and duties of historic district commissions.

No motion was made to put this article on the floor. The Moderator asked for a motion to table this article. Motion to table was made by Peter Dascoulias. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Ralph Carter made a motion to withdraw the motion to table. Seconded by Peter Dascoulias.

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The Moderator recognized Helmut Busack for the purpose of a motion to withdraw Article #5. Seconded by Christine Thompson.

The Moderator asked for a vote to withdraw Article #5. **It was in the affirmative and the motion passed.**

The Moderator read Article #6 as follows:
Article 6.
Submitted by Petition - Street Lights in Sanbornton Square
At the next regular Town Meeting we request that three Street Lights be added, one at the intersection of Pound and Meetinghouse Hill Rd, one at Sanborn Rd opposite Lane Tavern and one at Sanborn Rd near the South Side Entrance to the Sanbornton Post Office and Appropriate $248.04 for the same. This is to insure safety for motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic and increased security for our public buildings. Recommended by Harmony Grange #99 of Sanbornton as a community service. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Wayne Elliott for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Anne Busack.

Bob Bodwell spoke in favor of the article and offered explanation.

Dennis Pancoe spoke in opposition of the article.

There being no further discussion on the article, the Moderator called for the question. **Hand count was taken. Yes 139 No 70**
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #6 as read passed.

The Moderator read Article #7 as follows:
Article 7.
Town Hall Restoration Committee
To see if the Town will vote to advise the Town Hall Restoration Committee with regard to the direction and scope of the Town Hall restoration project:

1) To authorize the completion of the architectural planning and design, and
2) To hold a public hearing before July 1st 2003 for further guidance and direction.

This Article is recommended by the Town Hall Restoration Committee.

The Moderator recognized Andy Sanborn for the purpose of a motion.
Seconded by Charles Burke.

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Andy Sanborn offered explanation to the article.

There being no further discussion, the Moderator called for the question. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #7 as read passed.**

The Moderator read Article #8 as follows:
Article 8.
Revaluation of Property
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventy thousand dollars ($170,000.00) to fund a complete revaluation of property, effective April 1, 2003. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized, Chairman of the Budget Committee, Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Jim Grotton gave an explanation of the article.

Peter Dascoulias addressed the article, and stated that the state has required the town to have a revaluation of property in 2004. Dascoulias also addressed the bidding process for the revaluation.

Dascoulias offered the following amendment:
Revaluation of Property
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventy **nine** thousand **eight hundred** dollars(**$179,800.00**) to fund a complete revaluation of property, effective April 1, 2003. Seconded by Tom Salatiello.

Greg Heyn, Town Assessor, offered further explanation on the proposal's for the revaluation.

John Bobula questioned the amount of money and was concerned for request for proposal's, in disqualifying two of the bids.

Dascoulias offered explanation, that Vision was the only one that addressed all the concerns in the Town's proposal.

Hearing no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote. **It was in the affirmative the vote on the amendment passed.**

The Moderator read Article #8 as amended as follows:
Revaluation of Property
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred

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and seventy **nine** thousand **eight hundred** dollars(**$179,800.00**) to fund a complete revaluation of property, effective April 1, 2003.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
The Moderator declared that Article #8 as amended passed.

The Moderator announced he has a request for a ballot vote on Article #9.

The Moderator read Article #9 as follows:
Article 9.
Sanbornton Public Library
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy four thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars ($74,860.00) to fund the Sanbornton Public Library. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends the appropriation of $68,000.00.*

The Moderator recognized, Budget Committee Chairman, Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Donna Dascoulias.

John Purple, Budget Committee Member, offered further explanation on the funding of the new addition and base funding for the Library, also Purple explained the computer issues raised in 2002.

Kent Dover asked for an explanation by the Selectmen as to the difference in the dollar amount between the Budget Committee and the Selectmen.

Tom Salatiello offered the following explanation; the majority of the selectmen support the Library Budget in the amount of $74,860.00. Salatiello gave an overview of the services that the Library provides and their contribution to the community. Salatiello also explained the Library funding and expenditures under the state laws.

Pricillia Purple made comment and supports the budget committee's recommendations.

Selectman, Dascoulias commented on the efforts of the Library, but supports the budget committees position. Dascoulias also made reference to the Library funding.

Richard Gardner spoke in opposition to the motion and offered further comment on the Library.

Deb Wyman, Library Trustee, spoke in favor of the Library increase in the budget. Wyman addressed the issue of the computers.

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Salatiello offered the following amendment:
To amend Article #9 to $74,860. Seconded by Gloria Murazsko.

Salatiello spoke in favor of the amendment and made reference to a conversation with Terry Knowles, Charitable Trust Division, Attorney General's Office.

John Bobula spoke in opposition and questioned why the selectmen or the majority of the selectmen support this motion to increase the budget committee's recommendation, and why did they override the budget committee? Bobula felt the question was not answered.

Dennis Wells made comments in favor of the amendment offered by the selectmen and strongly supports the amended amount for the Library.

Grotton, Budget Committee Chairman, stated it was a physically responsible decision made by the budget committee. Grotton assured the public that the budget committee supports the Library.

Peter Thompson offered comment.

Russell Spearman, Library Trustee, offered explanation on the construction of the Library and spoke in favor of the Library Budget.

Point of order by Ken Reichstien concerning Bobula's question to Selectman, Salatiello. Reichstien asked Town Counsel if there was a legal issue with this Article. Attorney Patrick Wood stated he had no problem with the article as written.

The Moderator asked for the vote to call the question. The Moderator stated it takes a 2/3 majority. **It was in the affirmative and declared passed.**

There being no further discussion, The Moderator called for the vote. **Hand count was taken. Yes 125 No 66**
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the vote on the amendment passed.

The Moderator stated; we are voting on the amended Article #9 and that it will be a ballot vote .

Kent Dover, questioned how the article was presented.

The Moderator quoted rule #12.

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Ralph Carter wanted to know if the people that requested the ballot vote, would like to rescind that, hearing no discussion the Moderator declared there would be a ballot vote.

The Moderator requested a ballot be delivered to any handicapped persons.

There was a question as to how long the ballot box needed to remain open. The Moderator stated no time limit was required.
Ballot vote time started 10:03pm.

The Moderator read Article #9 as amended:
To amend Article #9 to $74,860.

The time for the ballot vote was 10:03pm.
The Moderator called for the vote. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #9 as amended passed.**
Ballot count Yes 127 No 52

Russ Spearman made a motion to restrict reconsideration on all previous articles. Seconded by Sheila Kufert.

The Moderator called for a vote on the motion. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the motion passed.**

The Moderator read Article #10 as follows:
Article 10.
Sanbornton Fire Department
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty four thousand, four hundred and forty eight dollars ($124,448.00) for operation of the Sanbornton Fire Department. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends the appropriation of $117,000.00.*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion.
Seconded by Jeff Jenkins.

Jeff Jenkins gave a summary of the article purposed.
Tom Salatiello offered the following amendment:
Amend Article #10 to read $124,448.00.for the operation of the Sanbornton Fire Department. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Salatiello made comment on the amended dollar amount.

Jenkins spoke in opposition for the budget committee.

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Anne Cioffi questioned the article.

Salatiello offered explanation of the article.

Jenkins commented on the following article.
Fire Chief Jerry Busby offered further explanation on his budget.

Peter Thompson made comments about the fire department's budget.

Judy Burlingame Rich spoke in favor of the fire department's budget and complimented the budget committee for all their hard work. Rich also spoke about the great volunteerism of the Fire Dept.

The Moderator called for a vote on the question. **It was in the affirmative and the vote passed.**

The Moderator read Article #10 as amended:
Amend Article #10 to read $124,448.00 for the operation of the Sanbornton Fire Department.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #10 as amended passed.**

The Moderator read Article #11 as follows:
Article 11.
Ambulance Equipment
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) for the purchase of a defibrillator and a gurney for the Fire Department Ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of said funds from the Ambulance and Ambulance Equipment Fund, a special revenue fund established in 1999. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Jon Sanborn

Ralph Cater offered the following amendment:
Ambulance Equipment
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) for the purchase of a defibrillator, **accessories, supplies, maintenance and training,** and a gurney for a Fire Department Ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of said funds from the Ambulance and Ambulance Equipment Fund, a special revenue fund established in 1999.

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Seconded by Steve Surowiec.

Fire Chief Busby offered explanation.
Scott Taylor made reference for the need for this equipment in order to treat pediatrics patients in addition to adults.

Busby spoke in favor of the article.

Grotton questioned the Chief Busby on the warrant article.

Busby offered further explanation.

The Moderator called for the vote on the amendment. **It was in the affirmative and the vote passed.**

The Moderator read Article #11 as amended:
Ambulance Equipment
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) for the purchase of a defibrillator, **accessories, supplies, maintenance and training,** and a gurney for a Fire Department Ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of said funds from the Ambulance and Ambulance Equipment Fund, a special revenue fund established in 1999.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
The Moderator declared Article #11 as amended passed.

Kevin Roy made a motion to restrict reconsideration on Article's #10 and #11. Seconded by Kent Dover.

The Moderator call for a vote on the motion. **It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the motion passed.**

The Moderator read Article #12 as follows:
Article 12.
Youth Opportunities
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars ($4,918.00) as the Town's contribution to Youth Opportunities, an organization which provides activities for young people of the Towns of Tilton, Northfield and Sanbornton. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Tom Salatiello for a purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

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Scott Hillard, Police Chief in Northfield and director of the Youth Opportunities Program, gave an overview of the program.

Earl Leighton, Budget Committee Member offered explanation on the budgets committee's position on this article.

Nina Gardner, School Board Member, spoke in favor of the article.

Jane Goss had questions and comments on the program.

Hillard explained the program further.

Patsy Wells and Ben Burlingame had comments and spoke in favor of the article.

Christine Thompson questioned the transportation for these programs.

Hillard offered explanation to Thompson's question.

Evelyn Auger commented on specific programs and concerns raised by parents and children.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
The Moderator declared Article #12 as read passed.

The time being 11:05pm.

Motion was made by Ralph Carter to recess until 7:00 PM on March 13, 2003. Seconded by Scott Taylor.

The Moderator called for a vote to recess. **It was in the affirmation and the Moderator declared the motion passed.**

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Called to order by Moderator, Donald Foudriat at 7:00pm.

The Moderator read Article #13 as follows:
Article 13.
Town Hall Restoration-
In accordance with RSA 33:3-a II, see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the remainder of unused bond proceeds of ten thousand four hundred dollars ($10,400.00), approved by Article 1 of the 1999 Town Meeting under RSA Chapter 33, the Municipal Finance Act, for Town hall restoration. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Two thirds vote required.).*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Jim Grotton offered explanation on the article.

Helmut Busack offered the following amendment:
To designate any funds or money's left over for the Town Hall Restoration, to be used for labor and material to repair the structure of the Town Hall and to install 2 flush toilet's with a pump out tank. Absolutely no money's are to be expended for any further studies or grant writing till the voters (legislative body) decide at the town meeting of the year 2004. Seconded by Donna Dascoulias.

Busack spoke in favor of the amendment and offered an explanation.

Jim Cluett spoke in opposition of the amendment.

Jean Suroweic commented on putting this money into a Capital Reserve Fund.

Ralph Carter explained that the money was raised through bonds and therefore can not be put in a Capital Reserve Fund.

Evelyn Auger questioned the type of bathrooms that is in the amended article.

Busack offered an explanation.
Fran Belcher spoke in opposition to the amendment and commented on the renovations.

Dick Gardner questioned as to what the money would be spent on if this amendments passed.

Ralph Carter offered explanation.

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Katie Surowiec questioned Busack on the state's guarantee that they would allow two pump out systems.

Busack answered that he could not guarantee that the state would allow this and further commented there is no guarantee a sewage system will be accepted either.

Dennis Akerman stated he knows for a fact that the State will not allow any further holding tanks. That has been investigated as part of the study for the septic system

The Moderator read Article #13 as amended:
To designate any funds or money's left over for the Town Hall Restoration, to be used for labor and material to repair the structure of the Town Hall and to install 2 flush toilet's with a pump out tank. Absolutely no money's are to be expended for any further studies or grant writing till the voters (legislative body) decide at the town meeting of the year 2004. Seconded by Donna Dascoulias.

The Moderator called for the question to amend article #13.**It was in the negative and Article #13 as amended fails.**

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the question and explained that this article requires a 2/3 vote and not a ballot vote.

The Moderator read Article #13 as follows:
Town Hall Restoration-
In accordance with RSA 33:3-a II, see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the remainder of unused bond proceeds of ten thousand four hundred dollars ($10,400.00), approved by Article 1 of the 1999 Town Meeting under RSA Chapter 33, the Municipal Finance Act, for Town hall restoration. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Two thirds vote required.).*

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
Hand Count was taken. Yes 77 No 17
2/3 vote needed to pass. 63
The Moderator declared Article #13 as read passed.

The Moderator read Article #14 as follows;
Article 14.
Community Septic System
To see if the Town will vote to approve the development of design specifications necessary to implement the proposal to provide a new septic system and water supply system for the Sanbornton Town Hall, the Sanbornton Library, and the

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Sanbornton Congregational Church, to help provide additional land for the planned expansion of the Sanbornton Library, and to provide additional handicap parking for the Sanbornton Town Hall as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Sanbornton and the Sanbornton Congregational Church dated February 12, 2003, and vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire such engineers and surveyors as necessary to develop such design specification. As agents to expend, the Board of Selectmen will withdraw the fee for preparation of said design specifications from the Capital Reserve for Town Buildings Improvements.

The Moderator recognized Ralph Carter for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Tom Salatiello.

Ralph Carter offered an explanation for the purchase of the land and plans for the septic system.

Jim Grotton, Budget Committee Chairman, stated that this project was not presented to the budget committee at the final hearing. Grotton also questioned the dollar figure's that have been discussed and the budget committee's position is that this article should not even be on the floor, according to NH State Law it needed to be submitted to the budget committee prior to the final budget hearing and it was not.

Christine Thompson agreed with Grotton and said with no money amount on the article, the towns people are handing over a blank check and Thompson believes it is not fair to the tax payers to even present this warrant article at this time.

Ralph Carter stated that Don Borror of DRA wrote this warrant article for the selectmen. Ralph offered an explanation to Thompson and stated he could not offer a figure amount.

Thompson further stated Carter did not answer her question about giving the selectmen a blank check.

Carter replied that the project would not cost more than $12,000. Carter said the selectmen are disbursing agents for this project and really did not even need the approval of the town, but he thought it was only right to bring this project to the people for a vote. Ralph also stated this project would go out for bid.

Mary Ahlgren was opposed to Thompson's comment. Ahlgren congratulated the people who have worked on this project.

Brian Gallagher questioned Carter on the warrant article written by Don Borror

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from DRA. Gallagher wanted to know what fund the monies would come out of for this expenditure and how much money is presently in that fund?

Carter replied that about $45,000 was in that fund, but after looking it up he said it is actually $60,000.

Evelyn Auger made comment.

John Bobula questioned the distribution of cost for this project. Bobula asked if there was a proposal to distribute the cost between the Church, Library and Town.

Carter stated in the Memorandum of Understanding it is stated 65% to 35% ratio. 65% Town, 35% Church.

Terry Hersh questioned the legality of this warrant article.

Tom Salatiello in his opinion this is a valid article. Salatiello offered an overview of the land discussions.

Grotton offered comments about the warrant article even being presented at Town Meeting, if the selectmen have authority to deal with this project, without the budget committee's approval.

Katie Surowiec made comment that she was not involved in this project.

Tom Morrison commended Carter for his involvement in this project. Morrison stated that he supports his community, but we need to consider our tax bills that are mailed to us in December. He also applauded the Budget Committee for their work.

Melissa Morrison made comment.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #14 as read passed.

Dennis Akerman made a motion to restrict reconsideration. Seconded by Jean Surowiec.
The Moderator called for the vote. **It was declared in the affirmative.**

The Moderator read Article #15 as follows:
Article 15.
Purchase of Land

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To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00) from the undesignated fund balance of December 31, 2002, available from the proceeds of timber harvests on Town property in 2001 and 2002, to purchase the property of Cynthia Taylor Morse and Carolyn Eve Stevenson (Tax Map No. 26.046) on Meeting House Hill Road. *The Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Ralph Carter for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Peter Dascoulias.

Ralph Carter offered an explanation on this article. He further explained the need for parking and septic for the Library and Town Hall.

John Dodge stated the budget committee does support this article.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
The Moderator declared Article #15 as read passed.

Motion to restrict reconsideration was made by Jean Surowiec. Seconded by Tim Grant.

The Moderator called for the vote. It **was declared in the affirmative.**

The Moderator read Article #16 as follows;
Article 16.
Health and Enforcement
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand nine hundred dollars ($4,900.00) to fund the health officer and zoning enforcement officer. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends the appropriation of $1,500.00.*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Earl Leighton

Grotton offered explanation on the budget committees proposal.

Tom Salatiello spoke in opposition of the warrant article and also gave explanation on the bottom line of the budget.

Jim Wells offered the following amendment:
Health and Enforcement
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars ($4900.00 to fund the Health Officer and Zoning

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Enforcement Officer. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Question was raised if Jim Wells was on the voter checklist. Sheila Dodge Supervisor of the Checklist stated that his name does appear on the list.

Wells explained the appropriation of this amendment.

Peter Thompson said he was not speaking in opposition, but he questioned the money for code books and his interest in adopting a building code first before the purchase of books.

Wells made comment and offered further explanation on the code books.

There was a call for the question. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative.
The Moderator read Article #16 as amended:
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollar ($4900.00) to fund the Health Officer and Zoning Enforcement Officer. Seconded by Ralph Carter.
There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #16 as amended passed.

The Moderator read Article #17 as follows:
Article 17.
Highway Block Grant
To see if Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand, three hundred and twenty-nine dollars ($100, 329.00) to be received from the Highway Block Grant for improvements to Town roads. Improvements include chip sealing Osgood Road, Skyline Drive, Perley Hill Road, and portions of Weeks Road and Burleigh Hill Road and calcium chloride treatment of unpaved roads. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Jim Grotton explained the warrant article.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #17 as read passed.

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The Moderator read Article #18 as follows:
Article 18.
Establishment of Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for State Aid Reconstruction, and to appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand seven hundred and thirty three dollars ($17, 733.00),unreserved fund balance to said Fund, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized the Jim Grotton, Chairman of the Budget Committee for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Jim Grotton deferred to Ralph Carter for an explanation.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #18 as read passed.

The Moderator read Article #19 as follows;
Article 19.
Establishment of Thermal Imaging Equipment Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Equipment and to authorize the appropriation of two thousand two hundred dollars ($2,200.00) from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2002. Said fund received these donations in 2002. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Jim Grotton deferred to Fire Chief Busby for an explanation and stated these funds were raised by the Fire Department.

Fran Belcher questioned if there are plans to continue to raise funds and can donations be made from the public into this account.

Chief Busby stated that citizens can donate to this fund and the Fire Department has a number of fundraiser's scheduled in the future. Busby also gave an explanation on the Thermal Imagining Camera.

Peter Dascoulias made the following amendment:
.To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve

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Fund for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Equipment and to authorize the appropriation of two thousand two hundred dollars ($2,200.00) from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2002. Said fund received these donations in 2002. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* After December 31, 2002 also to authorize the Selectmen as disbursing agents to purchase the equipment when sufficient funds are available.

The Moderator called for a vote on the amendment. It **was in the affirmative.**

The Moderator read Article #19 as amended:
Establishment of Thermal Imaging Equipment Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Equipment and to authorize the appropriation of two thousand two hundred dollars ($2,200.00) from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2002. Said fund received these donations in 2002. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* After December 31, 2002 also to authorize the Selectmen as disbursing agents to purchase the equipment when sufficient funds are available.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #19 as amended passed.

Linda Surowiec questioned the purchasing of the equipment.

Dascoulias offered an explanation.

The Moderator read Article #20 as follows:
Article 20.
Payments to Capital Reserve Accounts
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy five thousand dollars ($75,000.00) for payment to Capital Reserve Accounts. Said appropriation to be distributed as follows:

$20,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Town Building Improvement
$5,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Town Hall Restoration
$5,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Fire Truck
$5,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Fire Truck Repair and Refurbishment
$25,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Roads and Bridges
$5,000.00 to the Capital Reserve for Rescue Vehicle
$10,000 to the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

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The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

The Moderator recognized Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #20 as read passed.

The Moderator asked permission of the body not read all of the property listed in Article #21. No objection was given.

Article 21.
Sale of Town Property
To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to sell the following Town property by a fair and competitive method as justice may require. All net proceeds received, after giving effect to RSA 80:88, to be held in the General Fund until appropriation by the Town at the next Town Meeting. *The Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission recommend the sale of these lots.*

Tax Map/Lot	Acreage	Location	Meets Zoning Standards	Assessed Value
2.008	.82	Drake Road	No	$14,100
2.021	.34	Grove Drive	No	$10,800
3.014	.34	Grove Drive	No	$12,000
3.023	.34	Birch Drive	No	$10,800
3.099	.90	Kennedy Road	No	$ 6,000
3.118	.50	Birch Point Rd	No	$13,550
3.122	.40	Hermit Lake Rd	No	$19,400*
3.166	.65	Hueber Drive	No	$ 9,200
3.172	1.86	Springhaven Rd	Yes	$20,000
3.184	.43	Atwood & Wescott	No	$ 4,800
3.185	.55	Wescott Drive	No	$ 8,800
5.007.003	5.40	Roxbury Road	Yes	$19,250
11.091	.02	Black Brook Rd	No	$ 1,500
15.075	2.20	Shute Hill Road	No	$15,500
18.012	1.60	Bay Road	No	$12,000
25.025	.25	Mt. View Park Rd	No	$ 1,200
25.026	.21	Mt. View Park Rd	No	$ 1,200
25.027	.17	Mt. View Park Rd	No	$ 1,000
25.030	.12	Mt. View Park Rd	No	$ 800

*Only with Right-of-Way Easement

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The Moderator recognized Peter Dascoulias for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Ralph Carter spoke in favor of this article and then deferred to Debbie Lynch, Conservation Committee Member. Lynch gave an overview of the process that the committee used.

John Dodge spoke in favor of getting this land back on the tax rolls.
There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #21 as read passed.

The Moderator read Article #22 as follows:
Article 22.
Operating Budget
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million two hundred eighty five thousand, seventy nine dollars and ninety six cents ($2,285,079.96) as the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual Articles previously voted. *The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator recognized the Chairman of the Budget Committee, Jim Grotton for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Tom Salatiello.

John Bobula stated that this is the town's operating budget for 2003

Tom Salatiello offered the following amendment:
Operating Budget
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million two thousand, seventy nine dollars and ninety six cents ($2,002,079.96) as the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles previously voted. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Salatiello explained that $283,000.is money that the town already has in the General Fund. That money will have to remain in the general fund because the money was originally raised by bonds. This money is deducted from the original amount of the operating budget. The Library will have access to this money when the project is underway. This money cannot be moved to a Capital Reserve Fund, per Don Borror from DRA.

Peter Dascoulias explained what the $283,000 for originally vote for in 2001. It is set aside for the Library construction project. Dascoulias explained further this needs to be removed from the operating budget, but will remain in the general

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fund.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote on the amendment. **It was in the affirmative.**

The Moderator read Article #22 as amended:
Operating Budget
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million two thousand, seventy nine dollars and ninety six cents ($2,002,079.96) as the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles previously voted. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Omer Ahern questioned what effect does this budget have on the tax rate.

Jim Grotton replied that the budget is up roughly $110,000 over last year.

Joanne Dover explained how a property re-evaluation will effect the tax rate.

Steven Surowiec asked for clarification on the previous amendment concerning the $283,000.

Dascoulias offered an explanation.

Terry Hersh asked if the Lakefront wins the lawsuit, how will the town pay back the roughly $500,000.

Ralph Carter said roughly there is $300,000 available that can be used or the rest can be acquired through a special town meeting or at the next town meeting.

Jim Jenkins said that some of the money from the land sale could possibly offset some of the cost to the lakefront owners.

Brian Gallagher wanted to know what the tally is that we have approved at this meeting tonight.

Jim Grotton offered the following; $2,462,444. including all warrant articles.
Gallagher asked if the lakefront lawsuit case has been scheduled as of yet.

Carter guessed it would be mid summer.

Gallgher asked if the selectmen would come to town meeting in March for discussion as to the remedy or would the selectmen discuss the remedy.

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Salatiello offered explanation on the lakefront lawsuit and how the money and property cards would be calculated.

Gallagher had a follow up question on the Lakefront Lawsuit.

Dascoulias offered further explanation and stated we may have to have a special town meeting.

Grotton wanted to know if a date had been set for the hearing. Dascoulias stated not yet, but we expect a date for mid summer.

Peter Thompson made a statement regarding, a statement that was made earlier in the evening. The Supreme Court ruling; that any and all cases will be heard whether they have merit or not.

There was a call for the question.
The Moderator read Article #22 as amended:
Operating Budget
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million two thousand, seventy nine dollars and ninety six cents ($2,002,079.96) as the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles previously voted. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #22 as amended passed.

The Moderator read Article #23 as follows:
Article 23.
Committee to Review Town Government
To see if the Town with vote to establish a study committee to review Town government functions and to instruct said committee to bring forth recommendations at the next meeting of the Town. The committee is to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

The Moderator recognized Tom Salatiello for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Tom Salatiello offered an explanation.

Mary Ahlgren, Evelyn Auger, Jim Grotton, Christine Thompson, and Melissa

Morrison participated in the discussion.

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Ralph Carter and Peter Dascoulias offered further explanation.

There being no further discussion. The Moderator called for the vote.
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #23 as read passed.

The Moderator extended special thanks to:
Gary Shaffer, members of the fire department, members of the highway department, and the staff from the Town Office's, for the hard work in setting up and cleaning up for both nights of Town Meeting.

The Moderator read Article #24 as follows:
Article 24.
Other Business
To transact such other business as may legally come before the Town meeting.

Debbie Lynch made a motion restrict reconsideration on all articles. Seconded by Anne Busack.

The moderator called the question. **It was in the affirmative.**
Motion to Adjourn.

Vote was taken. **It was in the affirmative.**
Time of adjournment: 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Goss
Town Clerk

These minutes are subject to review and approval by the Annual Town Meeting March 2004.
The tapes are part of the original minutes and will be keep as a permanent record. They are available for review at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

2003 Special Town Meeting
Town of Sanbornton
State of New Hampshire
November 13, 2003

At 7:00 PM the Moderator, Donald P. Foudriat announced the delay of the meeting, until 7:30 PM, so people still standing in line would have time to check in with the Supervisors of the Checklist.

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the Moderator, at which time he reminded the voters to check in with the Supervisors of the Checklist in order to obtain their voting cards. The Moderator then requested identification of handicapped persons who might need assistance to participate in the meeting. Finally introductions of Town Official's and Town Counsel, Rob Ciandella were made along with appointments of Assistant Moderator's, Larry Goss and Jeff Jenkins.

The Moderator's rules were then read, motion to accept was made by Ralph Carter and seconded by Kent Dover. **The Moderator called for the vote it was in the affirmative.**

Ralph Carter asked the Moderator to announce the placement of the Supervisors of the checklist for ballot voting purposes.

The Moderator read Article #1 as follows:
Article 1.
Submitted by Petition
To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to apply the currently in-process property reevaluations assessment to real estate property taxes, no earlier than the tax year beginning April 1, 2004.

The Moderator recognized Joe Damato for the purpose of a motion to place Article #1 on the floor. Seconded by Bob McCulla.

The Moderator then recognized Joe Damato for a presentation. Damato gave an overview of Article #8 that was voted on at the March Annual town Meeting in 2003. Damato clarified the vote that was taken on March of 2003, with respect to the contract with Vision Appraisal. Damato stated that the revaluation is not mandated by the State until 2005 and current leadership is diligent in responding to the state's mandate and will be completing the mandate a year early, if done in 2004. Damato discussed in great length about the wording of the amended warrant Article #8, the word "Effective" having several different meanings to a lot of voters.

Damato stated the plans of the contract with Vision Appraisal were not finalized before the March 2003 Town Meeting, the problem being the final date for

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completion, which is given as of December 17, 2003, eight days before the year end to issue tax bills causing major problems such as property tax deductions on Federal income taxes, (the IRS was contacted for discussion), and Escrow Accounts for Mortgage Companies.

Also discussed was the pre-paying of property taxes for residents who hold mortgages. Damato discussed the cost to the town, the issue of borrowing money and how it would impact the town. Do we really need another bill in the town when it can be avoided?

Inequity of taxes was also discussed by Damato being the sole foundation of opposition to this warrant article. Damato made reference to the meetings held November 4th and November 6th, 2003.

Damato continued to discuss in great length about the BTLA ruling and in his opinion the selectmen have ruled in "Good Faith". When the Selectmen learned how upsetting and costly it would be to the town to carry it would be to the town to carry out this BTLA decision, they tried to over turn the ruling, which was denied by the BTLA. There was some discussion about the petitioners, who brought the petition forward to the BTLA.

The Moderator recognized Kent Dover who spoke in opposition of warrant Article #1. Dover made reference to his prior presentation and thought the illustrations were quite clear on the values of properties.

Dover stated this vote tonight is moot and can not understand why we are here, and that we must comply with the BTLA ruling.

Dover continued to discuss the IRS issue for Federal tax deduction. Dover made reference to the March Town Meeting of 2003, about the amendment that Mr. Dascoulias had put on the table and the Moderator read the warrant article as "Effective Date".

Dover asked the Board of Selectmen and the Tax Collector to honor the spirit of the law as expressed in the Board of Tax and Land Appeals order and to get the reevaluation done in 2003. Dover then stated research that he had done on prior tax collection years. Dover wanted a motion to postpone this indefinitely and felt we should not be voting on this article.

The Moderator recognized Peter Dascoulias, who spoke in favor of the warrant article.

Point of Order; Kevin Roy, Gulf Rd. Roy made reference to the signed petition for the Special Town Meeting as a possible conflict. Ruling form Town Counsel,

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Rob Ciandella, was in his opinion there was no conflict of interest between the Board of Selectmen and the petitioners. Roy further questioned counsel.

Peter Dascoulias pointed out the importance of the meeting, stating that the understanding of the situation is clear and how it is going to effect the residents. Secondly, Dascoulias stated that it is important that our state officials, whether they be, the BTLA, State Representatives, Senators, or the Governor himself hear the voice of the people, as we have a right to be heard. Dascoulias also stated that when we leave here it is important that we have a clear position on what your vote is on the Warrant Articles that have been circulated.

Dascoulias then discussed several issues of inequity in taxes and also made reference to the Lakefront lawsuit issues.

Dascoulias continued to state his position on signing of the Vision Appraisal Contract and made reference to Mr. Salatiello, who was the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, that had been involved in a reevaluation in 1993. Dascoulias stated that Mr. Salatiello, should have steered the Board away from this, as he was the Chairman of the Board.

Dascoulias then spoke on the amended warrant article presented at the Annual Town Meeting in March 2003. The wording of the amendment as stated to the people by Dascoulias, was effective or beginning date April 1, 2003, but when read by the moderator, the amendment stated effective date.

Dascoulias stated they recognized there would be a problem with finishing the reval on the 17th of December, and they realized that they would not be able to get the tax bills out, write them off on your income tax, that there would be no revenue stream and we would not be able to pay our debts. Dascoulias said to be practical they made a decision to get the tax bills out and start the revenue stream, all though they recognized there is some disparity in the tax assessments. Dascoulias made reference to the tax collector being in the process of closing all the books out at the end of the year and the hardship it creates with the holidays.

Dascoulias then made reference to the comments made by Dover on tax collection and IRS issues.

The Moderator recognized Ned Witham, Burleigh Hill Rd. Witham spoke on IRS issues.

Bill Tobin was recognized by the moderator to speak in opposition of the warrant article. Tobin questioned counsel on the decision of the BTLA, whether it was a legal and constitutional order. Ciandella answered the question in

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reference to the final order of BTLA ruling.

Tobin questioned: with the article, if it is a legal and constitutional order and does this vote require the selectmen to violate the law, and are they and the town subject to lawsuits and fines from the state.

Ciandella offered explanation, referencing RSA 71E17.

Tobin asked further questions on the warrant article, which was addressed by legal counsel.

Evelyn Auger was recognized by the moderator. Auger spoke on the problems and concerns we are faced with during this revaluation. Auger also talked about the inequity of the town values and the BTLA order.

Dascoulias spoke about fully understanding the order of the BTLA.

The Moderator recognized Jackie Zajac. Zajac made comments about being audited by the IRS and cheating on your income taxes.

Andy Sanborn made comment about paying lawyers and accountants and what choices we have.

Jane Goss was recognized by the moderator to speak on her own behalf as Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Goss referenced her testimony at the BLTA and presented to them a scenario in reference to getting the bills out. Goss advised that if Vision comes in on December 17th and they are finished with their work, the next day a MS1 form will be filed with the DRA. Goss stated that she called DRA and spoke with auditor, Don Borror- and asked him if he could get a tax rate in two days, Goss advised that he stated that he could not guarantee two days or two weeks, however, later he said he could guarantee within 48 Hours, which Goss stated she relayed to the BTLA. She then continued that if the tax rate was set by December 22nd, then the warrant has to be run, which takes approximately one day, leads us to the next day being the 24th of December, which is Christmas Eve. The selectmen would then have to have a meeting in order to sign the warrant, to which Goss stated that she cannot do anything until she receives a signed warrant from the selectmen. Goss then stated if that were the case then the next day would be the 25th of December, and would put her receiving the warrant on December 26th, she then continued that the warrant then has to be certified that all the numbers are correct and that would take at least one or two days even before we can start printing the bills on the 30th. Goss continued to advise that is would take approximately 8 hours to run off the tax bills which would lead into the following day where Barrington notices would have to be run and incorporated into the tax bills. Goss then advised that on

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the 31st of December, by law she would have to close out all of her books for the selectmen, which would include all taxes and town clerk accounts, which takes approximately a week to balance all of the accounts, along with meeting with the auditors for a pre audit at the end of the year. She advised that taking all this into consideration, which she testified to the BTLA, that the earliest she could get the bills out within this time frame would be Jan. 12th 2004. Goss then stated that the Tax Collector by law has 30 days to get the bills out and further stated that she will do the best she can do for the taxpayers of this community. Goss commented on a few concerns that she has for the people who escrow their taxes, and stated that even if she worked Christmas day and all weekend, then mailed the tax bills on the 31st of December that the people that have escrow accounts will not be able to claim these taxes. Goss then stated that she had letters from two major holding companies, First American Real Estate and Trans America Tax Service, she stated they will not release the money until they have a tax bill and it takes approximately two to three weeks to process escrow accounts. Goss said it will also put a financial burden on the town, as the town pays all of the December bills with the money coming in and that we will have to borrow money and pay interest. Goss also stated there could be a problem with the software and interfacing it with the BMSI software, she stated that in this case we are leaving no room for error and she will not guarantee that she can get the bills out in a week, however stated that she will guarantee them out in 30 Days. Goss then stated, there is a solution to this whole problem, being that Chairman Dascoulias went to the DRA and asked them if we could set the tax rate using the old valuations so that we could get the bills out and then when the new valuations come in we will do a supplemental billing, which, stated Goss, that it would mean more work and a double billing for my office, but that she was more than willing to do that. Goss then continued that the Department of Revenue had stated that they would not let us do that, which would have solved the whole problem.

Selectman Carter asked the Moderator to be recognized. Carter discussed his voting concerns on this issue, and discussed a planning session with BTLA and DRA. Carter also commented on the BTLA order.

Mark Thurston questioned the selectmen on semi-annual tax billing. Dascoulias offered explanation.

Brian Gallagher spoke in favor of the article. Gallagher stated that this legislative body is the decision maker, regardless of how many attorneys in Concord or the Appointees to the Boards are choosing to take that ability away.

Elizabeth Rose questioned the order of the BTLA and rights of the board.

Anne Cioffi offered comment.

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Call for the question was made by Donna Dascoulias. Seconded by Anne Cioffi.

There being no further discussion the Moderator took a vote to call the question. The Moderator mentioned it takes a 2/3 majority vote.

The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative.

The Moderator read Article #1 as follows:
Article 1.
Submitted by Petition
To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to apply the currently in-process property reevealuations assessments to real estate property taxes, no earlier than the tax year beginning April 1, 2004.

The Moderator declared a Ballot Vote.

The Moderator read the results a follows:
Yes 145 No 135

It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #1 passed.

Robert Bodwell Made reference to the amount of seating available.

Sheila Dodge, Supervisor of the checklist offered comment about the availability of seating.

George Waring offered a motion to restrict reconsideration on Article #1. Seconded.

It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the motion passed.

The Moderator asked for a vote to modify the moderators rules for Article #2 and 3

The Moderator declared in the affirmative.

The Moderator read Article #2 as follows:
Article 2.
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
Tow see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to tender the results of the Town Vote on Article No. 1, above, to the Board of Tax and Land Appeals (the "Board") pursuant to RSA 71-B: 17 and thereby request the Board in its discretion to modify or suspend its Order of October 2, 2003 in Docket No.

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19517-03RA ("the Order") so that the reassessment is applied effective April 1, 2004.

The Moderator recognized the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Peter Dascoulias for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Guy Giunta.

Peter Dascoulias offered explanation of the warrant Article. Dascoulias stated that this will allow us to go back to the BTLA and ask for reconsideration of the order.

Dick Gardner questioned the dollar cost of the vote and stated that this second vote will have a dollar effect on our taxes, because of the legal issues. Gardner asked what legal expenses we have incurred thus far and asked the moderator to respond. Gardner also questioned the hourly rate and hours that have occurred because of this issue.

The Moderator asked the Selectmen and Attorney to address the question brought forth by Gardner.

Attorney Ciandella addressed the question on hours and costs, which were approximately 20 hrs @ $150.00/hr.

Selectmen Dascoulias addressed the question on legal costs incurred and stated that thus far the amount totaled approximately $7500.00.

Elizabeth Rose commented on the motion for rehearing from the BTLA and denial.

Rose also questioned the costs of the BTLA ruling

Rob Ciandella offered explanation.

Kent Dover asked the Selectmen and Attorney, who crafted Article #2 &3.

Ciandella explained that they were crafted by the Board of Selectmen with the help of legal counsel. Legal counsel recommended the language of the warrant articles to the Board of Selectmen.

Dascoulias offered further explanation of the petition presented. The petition is in support of the Board of Selectmen's action.

Point of Order, John Bobula

Susan Bigelow offered comments about the financial situation.

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Faith Tobin made comments about the BTLA hearing.

Guy Giunta, Selectmen, offered comment on Article #2

Phil Bonafide made comment about the BTLA ruling.

Barbara Whetstone questioned where the money is coming from to pay for legal fees.

Peter Dascoulias offered explanation.

Mark Pickering questioned the interest amount on the borrowing of funds.

Susan Shannon, Town Treasurer, explained that the bank will allow us to borrow at the rate of 2.3% or 2.35%. as of December 31st, we have to cover the tax anticipation loan in the amount of 1,800,000., the county tax approximately $500,000. and the two school payments, which we would have to borrow $3,000,000. for three months, it would cost approximately $17,000. in interest.

Evelyn Auger made comments about lakefront properties and revaluation.

Motion to call the question was made by Nina Gardner. Seconded by Helmut Busack

There being no further discussion the Moderator took a vote to call the question. The Moderator mentioned it takes a 2/3 majority and he was convinced that did take place
The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative.

The Moderator read Article #2 as follows:
Article 2.
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to tender the results of the Town Vote on Article No. 1, above, to the Board of Tax and Land Appeals (the "Board") pursuant to RSA 71-B: 17 and thereby request the Board in its discretion to modify or suspend its Order of October 2, 2003 in Docket No. 19517-03RA ("the Order") so that the reassessment is applied effective April 1, 2004.

Hand count was taken.
The Moderator read the results as follows:
Yes 126 No 87

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It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #2 passed.

The Moderator read Article #3 as follows:
Article 3.
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such other actions to assure a fair and equitable reassessment of real estate within the Town for tax purposes, including if necessary the Town's compliance with the Order and the request for assistance from the Commissioner of Revenue Administration.

The Moderator recognized Peter Dascoulias for the purpose of a motion. Seconded by Ralph Carter.

Peter Dascoulias offered explanation on this article, which allows the selectman with the BLTA to explore other options so as to comply with the order.

Dick Gardner offered comment on a court appeal and the expenses incurred. Can you as selectmen yes or no exclude the avenue of a Supreme Court Appeal on this matter?

Peter Dascoulias said he could not give him a definitive answer, until they consult with legal counsel.

Jim Cluett wanted to know if the selectmen need authorization to go forward, by law the selectmen have the authority to make the decision, but thought it would be better to take this Article to the legislative body.

Rob Ciandella gave further explanation.

Kent Dover made comments.

Motion made to call the question by Donna Dascoulias. Seconded by Helmut Busack

There being no further discussion the Moderator took a vote to call the question. The Moderator mentioned it takes a 2/3 majority and he was convinced that did take place.
The Moderator declared the vote in the affirmative

(Special Meeting minutes continued)

The Moderator read Article #3 as follows;
Article 3.
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such other actions to assure a fair and equitable reassessment of real estate within the Town for tax purposes, including if necessary the Town's compliance with the Order and the request for assistance from the Commissioner of Revenue Administration.

Hand count was taken.
The Moderator read the results as follows;

Yes 124 No 77
It was in the affirmative and the Moderator declared Article #3 passed.
The Moderator recognized Representative Laflam for comment. Laflam would like to recognize our Military men and woman and pleaded in the spirit of Thanksgiving to communicate and all work together.

The Moderator extended his thanks to the Board of Selectmen and other town officials for the turn out.

Motion to adjourn was first and seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Goss
Sanbornton Town Clerk

These minutes are subject to review and approval by the Annual Town Meeting March 2004.

The tapes of the Special town Meeting, November 13, 2003 are part of the original minutes, and will be kept as a permanent record.

Tapes are available at the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. Two tapes were used.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
2003

Motor Vehicles	$506,087.00
Dogs	4,374.50
Marriage	765.00
Vitals	536.00
Maps & Ordinances	2,432.14
Titles	1,700.00
UCC Filing Fees	1,290.00
Filing Fees	8.00
Municipal Agent fees	9,499.25
Boats	148.56
Overpayments	198.55
Misc.	25.50
Remitted to Treasurer	**$527,064.50**

Reminders:
Pet owners please license your dog by April 30th to avoid penalties. Delinquent Notices will be mailed mid June.

Boat owners please check with the Town Clerk before registering your boats with the state, to see if there are any fees do the town-thank you.

We have four elections in 2004, Presidential Primary, Sanbornton Town Election, State Primary, and the General Election, please check with my office for the dates of these elections.

Notes:
This has been a very challenging year for the entire office staff.

I want to take this opportunity to thank, my Deputy, Lurana Joslyn for working a lot of long hours during this year's tax season, also I would like to thank the Selectmen and their office staff, especially John Bobula and Stacey Atherton for the extra efforts they put forth in completing the warrant in record time, so we were able to issue the bills. With the efficiency of a lot of good people we were able to collect 51% of the Warrant by the 31st of December, allowing us to pay down on the borrowed debt and saving taxpayer's money on the interest.

Lurana and I would like to wish everyone a Very Happy New Year!!!.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Goss
Certified Town Clerk-Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

Uncollected Taxes	**2003**	**2002**
Beginning of Year		
Property		2,165,934.95
Land Use Change Tax		2,820.00
Yield Taxes		23,245.30
Sewer User Fee		1,811.48
Excavation Tax @ $.02 yd		347.36
Taxes Committed This Year		
Property	5,194,515.00	
Added Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax	16,250.00	
Yield Taxes	17,369.32	
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	520.40	
Excavation Tax		
Sewer User Fees	32,570.48	
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	15,707.03	29,248.15
Excavation Tax		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes	5.99	5,800.00
Sewer User Fees		
Collect. Int-Late Taxes	44.07	14,502.31
Penalties-Lien Costs		1,850.50
Total Debits	**$5,276,982.29**	**$2,245,560.05**
Remitted to Treasurer During 2003		
Property Taxes	2,643,082.01	2,163,427.95
Land Use Change Tax	16,250.00	2,820.00
Yield Taxes	12,689.08	23,245.30
Sewer User Fee	30,684.41	1,811.48
Interest	44.07	14,502.31
Yield Tax 2003 prepay	2,500.00	
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd		347.36
Conversion To Lien Costs		1,850.50
Overpayments	15,707.03	35,048.15
Discounts Allowed		
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes		2,507.00
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes	719.47	
Sewer User Fee		
Excavation Tax		
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd		
Current Levy Deeded		

(Tax Collector continued)

Uncollected Taxes End of Year		
Property Taxes	2,551,432.99	
Land Use Change Taxes		
Yield Taxes	1,466.76	
Sewer User fees	1,886.07	
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	520.40	
Total Credits		
	$5,276,982.29	**$2,245,560.05**

	*****LEVIES OF*****		
	2002	**2001**	**Prior**
Unredeemed Taxes Balance Beginning Of Fiscal Year		53,608.01	37,969.94
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	92,479.93		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	2,203.12	6,861.22	14,253.98
Total Debits	**$94,683.05**	**$60,469.23**	**$52,223.92**
Remitted to Treasurer: 2003 Redemption's	34,646.36	34,809.05	37,896.89
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	2,203.12	6,861.22	14,253.98
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	201.02		
Liens Deeded to Municipality	78.04	73.46	73.05
Unredeemed Liens Balance of Year	57,554.51	18,725.50	
Total Credits	**$94,683.05**	**$60,469.23**	**$52,223.92**

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Goss

Jane Goss, Certified Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Cash on hand January 1, 2003		$ 206,440.00
Receipts:		
Tax Collector	$ 5,087,085	
Town Clerk	527,065	
Selectmen's Office	557,011	
Interest earned on accounts	5,278	
Capital Reserve Funds (2002 rembsmt.)	23,237	
Recreation rembsmt. for 2003	44,495	
Sale of Town Property (art. 21 -2003 T.M.)	43,604	
Tax Anticipation Loan	2,600,000	
		+ 8,887,775
		$ 9,094,215
Expenditures:		
Payments by order of Selectmen	$ 2,473,306	
Transferred to Capital Reserve Funds	94,933	
Transferred to Conservation Savings account	452	
Transferred to Landfill Escrow account	1,500	
Transferred to Land-Use Change Tax account	10,950	
Transferred to Forest Maintenance account	57,185	
Payments to Winnisquam Reg. School Dist.	3,196,509	
Payment to Belknap County	489,484	
Long Term Debt - principal payments	98,099	
Long Term Debt - interest payments	19,570	
Tax Anticipation Loan - paid 12/31/03	800,000	
Tax Anticipation Note - interest payments	14,267	
		- 7,256,255
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$ 1,837,960**
Tax Anticipation Note – outstanding 12/31/03		*1,800,000*

(Treasurer continued)

CONSERVATION FUND
(Opened in 1988 in accordance with RSA 36-A:5)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$ 10,835
Deposits to account:		
Balance of 2002 appropriation	452	
Interest earnings	+ 103	
		+ 555
No Expenditures		0
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$ 11,390**

CONSERVATION / Land Use Change Tax Fund
(Authorized by vote of 1999 Town Meeting in accordance with RSA 79-A:25 II; modified by vote of 2002 Town Meeting)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$ 15,626
Deposits to account:		
Annual deposit	10,950	
Interest earnings	+ 223	
		+ 11,173
No Expenditures		0
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$ 26,799**

FOREST MAINTENANCE FUND
(Opened in February 2002 in accordance with RSA 31:113)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$ 7,189
Income to account:		
Proceeds from sale of timber cut on town land	57,185	
Interest earnings	+ 558	
		+ 57,743
No Expenditures		0
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$ 64,932**

POLICE/DRUG FORFEITURE MONIES
(Opened in 1990 in accordance with RSA 318-B:17-c)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003	$ 20
No activity	
Ending Balance December 31, 2003	**$ 20**

(Treasurer continued)

ESCROW ACCOUNT - LANDFILL CLOSURE
(Opened based on contract agreements)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$37,195
Deposits to account:		
Additional funds to escrow	1,500	
Interest earnings	+ 344	
		+1,844
		39,039
Payments from account		-1,500
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$37,539**

RECREATION COMMISSION - NON-LAPSING FUND
(Authorized by vote at the 1995 Town Meeting, in accordance with RSA 35-B:2,11)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$ 20,248
Deposits to account:		
Receipts	$47,445	
Interest earnings	+ 289	
		+47,734
Expenditures:		
Payments from account	6,782	
Reimburse General Fund for 2003 appropriation	+44,495	
		-51,277
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$ 16,705**

TOWN HALL RESTORATION FUND
(Opened in 2001 in accordance with RSA 31:95-b)

Beginning balance January 1, 2003		$1,650
Income to account:		
Fundraising	1,960	
Memorial Donations	420	
Interest earnings	+ 21	
		+ 2,401
		4,051
Payments from account		- 139
Ending Balance December 31, 2003		**$3,912**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan S. Shannon, Treasurer

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Mercier Group

a professional corporation

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Sanbornton
Sanbornton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Sanbornton as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
February 19, 2004

[The Town's audited financial statements referred to above are available at the Selectmen's Office]

(Independent Auditor continued)

The Mercier Group

a professional corporation

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF
REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Sanbornton
Sanbornton, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire for the years ended December 31, 2003, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, our audit disclosed no matters that we considered material weaknesses as defined above.

Considering the many challenges of changing personnel and tax revaluations, we are pleased by the efforts the Town is making to improve its accounting systems. This will continue to be important as new reporting standards (GASB 34) become effective at the end of 2004. While we recommend that the Town continue to work toward an accrual basis of accounting and full use of its general ledger capabilities, we feel confident that this will occur naturally as new personnel become fully acclimated to operations and as in-house accounting skills continue to expand. Meanwhile, good communications will help to alleviate any misunderstandings and provide important monitoring of financial information generated by the system.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management as an aid in improving systems and procedures. It is not intended for and should not be used for any other purpose.

The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
February 19, 2004

2004 Warrant

Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sanbornton in the County of Belknap in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Sanbornton on Tuesday, the Ninth day of March, in the year Two Thousand Four, to act on the following subjects:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

To choose all necessary District Officers for the Winnisquam Regional School District.

To vote on the following Questions:

Question #1

"Shall we adopt the provisions of R.S.A. 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting to all issues before the Town of Sanbornton." Presented by Petition.

Question #2

"Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated?" Presented by Petition.

Question #3

"Are you in favor of increasing the board of selectmen to 5 members?" Presented by Petition.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Sanbornton Central School in said Sanbornton on Wednesday, the Tenth day of March next at seven of the clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.) to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1.
Submitted by Petition – Change in Elderly Exemptions from Property Tax
To see if the Town shall modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Sanbornton, based on the assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

For a person 65 years of age and up to 75 years of age: $20,000;
For a person 75 years of age up to 80 years: $25,000
For a person 80 years of age or older: $35,000

To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than $20,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than $30,000, and own assets not in excess of $50,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this change.

Article 2.
Submitted by Petition – Change in Optional Veterans' Tax Credit
To see if the Town will vote to increase the optional veterans' tax credit pursuant to R.S.A. 72:27-a, to $500. The current credit is $100. This tax credit shall replace the current veterans' tax credit in its entirety and shall not be in addition thereto.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this change.

Article 3.
Submitted by Petition – Participation in Lakes Region Public Access TV
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500 to fund the Town's participation in the Lakes Region Public Access TV programming. Said funds are to be used for the purchase of video recording equipment and for other costs associated with televising all meetings of the Board of Selectmen on the public access television channel.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 4.
Submitted by Petition – Community Spring Clean Up Day
To see if the Town will vote to designate the third Saturday of April each year as Community Spring Clean Up Day, permitting Sanbornton property owners to dispose of collected trash and debris at the Transfer Station without customary charges, and further, to appropriate the sum of $500 for the purpose of promotion of said clean up in 2004.
The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

Article 5.
Lease/Purchase of New Ambulance
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a ten year lease/purchase agreement for one hundred ninety-two thousand one hundred dollars ($192,100) for the purpose of leasing a new ambulance, and to raise and appropriate the sum of nineteen thousand two hundred ten dollars ($19,210) for the first year payment. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause. Said funds are to be withdrawn from the "Ambulance and Ambulance Equipment" Special Revenue Fund. [Majority vote required]
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 6.
New Highway Garage Building
To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of R.S.A. 35:1 for the purpose of planning and constructing a new highway garage building, to raise and appropriate ninety thousand dollars ($90,000) to be placed into this fund and to designate the Selectmen as the agents to expend funds.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 7.
Road Agent
To see if the Town will vote to make the office of Road Agent an appointed employee rather than an elected position. Such appointment would take effect in March 2005 at the expiration of the current elected term.
The Board of Selectmen, the Town Government Study Committee and the Budget Committee recommend this change.

Article 8.
Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand ($150,000) for the replacement and update of the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), breathing air compressor and equipment and the replacement of all of the Fire Department's SCBAs, thus bringing the Town of Sanbornton into compliance with OSHA, NIOSH, NFPA and ANSI regulations regarding Personnel Protection Equipment. These improvements also make the Town compatible with the other fire departments of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association. This expenditure is contingent upon receiving the "Assistance to Firefighters" grant. This grant is a three (3) percent matching grant. One hundred forty-five thousand five hundred dollars ($145,500) would come from the grant and four thousand five hundred dollars ($4,500), the Town's portion, would come from taxes.
The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

Article 9.
Community Septic & Well System
To see if the Town will vote to raise appropriate ninety-five thousand dollars ($95,000) for the purpose of planning and constructing a Community Septic & Well System serving the Library, the United Congregational Church and the Town Hall.
The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

Article 10.
Highway Plow Truck and Equipment
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred ten thousand dollars ($110,000) for the purchase of a new Highway plow truck and associated equipment. Fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) is to come from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) is to come from taxes.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 11.
Improvements to Town Office Buildings
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-four thousand dollars ($54,000) for the purposes of the following improvements to Town buildings:

New Roof for the Life Safety Building ($25,000)
New Doors(3), Carpeting and Tile for the Town Offices ($15,000)

Library Roof and Furnace ($7,000)
Generator Installation for Life Safety and Town Office complex ($7,000)
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 12.
Equipment Capital Outlay
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-nine thousand nine hundred one dollars ($69,901) for the purchase or lease payment concerning the following equipment:

Police Cruiser ($26,000)
Highway Department Mower ($18,500)
Highway Department Loader 2004 Lease Payment ($20,401)
Emergency Management Services Radio Equipment ($5,000)

The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 13.
Payments to Capital Reserve Accounts
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety-five dollars ($95,000) for payments to the following Capital Reserve Accounts:

Town Building Improvements (45,000)
Fire Truck ($15,000)
Fire Truck Repair and Refurbish ($5,000)
Rescue Vehicle ($5,000)
Roads & Bridges (25,000)
The Board of Selectmen recommend. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

Article 14.
Tax Billing
To see if the Town will vote to institute twice-a-year billing of taxes, pursuant to R.S.A. 76:15-a, effective 2005.
The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this change.

Article 15.
Operating Budget
To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the 2004 Operating Budget for the Town of Sanbornton. Said sum does not include special or individual Articles previously addressed.

Budget Committee recommendation:	$2,388,102
Board of Selectmen recommendation:	$2,450,856

Article 16.
Other Business
To transact such other business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 23rd day of February, Two Thousand and Four.

Peter Dascoulias, Chairman

Ralph Carter

Guy Giunta

Selectmen of Sanbornton

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Peter Dascoulias, Chairman

Ralph Carter

Guy Giunta

Selectmen of Sanbornton

A True Copy
Attest 2/23/04 Lurana Joslyn
Clerk

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the Town offices, being a public place in said Town on the Twenty Third day of February, Two Thousand Four.

MS-7

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: SANBORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

or Fiscal Year From N/A to N/A

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) 2/23/04.

Juliana Jordyn
Dep

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Rev. 07/02

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		91,847	97,966	107,514	0	97,514	10,000
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		3,000	4,214	7,280	0	7,280	0
4150-4151	Financial Administration		168,444	158,798	193,879	800	193,279	1,400
4152	Revaluation of Property		197,300	155,371	17,000	0	17,000	0
4153	Legal Expense		25,000	42,756	25,000	0	25,000	0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		97,778	196,994	310,375	0	310,375	0
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		19,755	10,078	23,678	0	23,678	0
4194	General Government Buildings		43,300	48,957	49,772	4,406	49,672	4,506
4195	Cemeteries		3,500	3,153	3,533	0	3,533	0
4196	Insurance		41,000	39,432	38,476	0	38,476	0
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		0	0	0	0	0	0
4199	Other General Government		1,600	1,909	4,015	0	4,015	0
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		433,187	372,067	401,314	0	359,588	42,726
4215-4219	Ambulance		0	0	0	0	0	0
4220-4229	Fire		124,448	150,960	135,791	0	135,791	0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		0	0	0	0	0	0
4290-4298	Emergency Management		8,050	3,662	6,121	5,806	6,121	5,806
4299	Other (Including Communications)		20,507	19,708	13,400	6,450	13,400	6,450
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		0	0	0	0	0	0
4312	Highways & Streets		548,207	457,280	507,615	740	507,615	740
4313	Bridges		5,000	2,103	5,000	0	5,000	0

MS-7 Budget - Town of Sanbornton_____ FY 2004_____

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting		2,385	88	2,400	0	2,400	0
4319	Other		0	0	0	0	0	0
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		0	0	0	0	0	0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		0	0	0	0	0	0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		177,468	164,658	192,233	0	186,823	5,253
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		0	0	0	0	0	0
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		32,518	35,729	36,000	0	36,000	0
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		0	0	0	0	0	0
4332	Water Services		0	0	0	0	0	0
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other		0	0	0	0	0	0
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation		0	0	0	0	0	0
4353	Purchase Costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		0	0	0	0	0	0
4359	Other Electric Costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		4,900	1,556	4,922	0	4,922	0
4414	Pest Control		1,100	1,302	0	0	0	0
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		45,193	39,954	46,475	4,497	41,557	9,415
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		0	0	0	0	0	0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts		0	0	0	0	0	0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		20,000	15,035	20,000	0	20,000	0

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		60,000	68,806	83,679	0	83,679	0
4550-4559	Library		74,860	74,860	77,091	2,000	77,091	2,000
4583	Patriotic Purposes		100	0	100	0	100	0
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		2,000	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	0
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,365	796	985	480	985	480
4619	Other Conservation		0	0	0	0	0	0
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING		0	0	0	0	0	0
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		0	0	0	0	0	0
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		99,600	98,403	99,600	0	99,600	0
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		18,070	33,837	15,609	0	15,609	0
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		25,000	14,267	20,000	0	20,000	0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		0	50	0	0	0	0
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land		20,000	0	0	0	0	0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	#s 5,8,10,12	51,101	51,101	349,111	0	199,111	150,000
4903	Buildings	#s 6, 9, 11	0	0	239,000	0	194,000	45,000
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	#s 3,4	50,000	20,399	1,500	500	1,500	500
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0
4914	To Enterprise Fund		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sewer-		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Water-		0	0	0	0	0	0

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
	Electric-		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Airport-		0	0	0	0	0	0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	#13	94,933	118,954	95,000	0	65,000	30,000
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917		0	0	0	0	0	0
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
4919	To Agency Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL 1			2,612,516	2,510,528	3,135,467	25,521	2,847,713	313,276

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX

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1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		15,000	17,670	16,000
3180	Resident Taxes		0	0	0
3185	Timber Taxes		25,600	36,282	27,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		0	705	600
3189	Other Taxes		0	1,851	0
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		45,000	39,282	40,000
	Inventory Penalties		0	0	0
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,300	1,335	1,300
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		458,000	506,087	500,000
3230	Building Permits		15,000	20,531	18,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		10,100	10,062	10,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		0	200	150,000
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		11,073	22,146	12,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		87,000	80,562	85,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		100,329	100,329	100,692
3354	Water Pollution Grant		0	0	0
3355	Housing & Community Development		0	0	0
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		0	0	0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		750	27,027	20,000
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		23,159	5,154	31,750
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		1,100	61	1,000
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		137,218	227,020	197,750
3409	Other Charges		35,581	44,529	53,759
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		150,000	53,631	96,369
3502	Interest on Investments		6,000	5,278	6,000
3503-3509	Other		28,105	75,249	30,000
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		0	0	19,210
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		0	0	0

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1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds		0	0	
	Sewer - (Offset)		0	0	
	Water - (Offset)		0	0	
	Electric - (Offset)		0	0	
	Airport - (Offset)		0	0	
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		0	23,237	50,0
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		0	0	
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes		0	0	
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		1,150,315	1,298,210	1,466,4

BUDGET SUMMARY

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	2,612,516	3,135,467	2,847,71
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)			
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)			
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended		3,135,467	2,847,71
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)		1,466,430	1,466,43
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised		1,669,037	1,381,28

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _273,250_____
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

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BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT _____ FISCAL YEAR END _____

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37)	2,847,713 -
LESS EXCLUSIONS	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	99,600
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	15,609
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	0
5. Mandatory Assessments	0
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	< 115,209 >
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	2,732,504
8. Line 7 times 10%	273,250
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8)	3,120,963

Line 9 is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

True Copy attest: Jane Goss
2/27/04 Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF VALUATION

Value of Land Only	
Current Use (at current use values)	$ 1,928,260
Discretionary Easement(s)	49,606
Residential	118,599,400
Commercial/Industrial	3,110,400
Total of Taxable Land	$ 123,687,666
Value of Buildings Only	
Residential	$ 176,656,400
Manufactured Housing	2,524,600
Commercial/Industrial	10,921,600
Total of Taxable Buildings	$ 190,102,600
Public Utilities	
Total of Taxable Public Utilities	$ 2,017,700
VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS	**$315,807,966**
Exemptions	
Elderly	$ 175,000
Solar Power	65,046
Total of Exemptions	$ 240,046
Certain Disabled Veterans (RSA 72:36-a)	243,700
Net Evaluation On Which the Tax Rate for Municipal, County & Local Education Tax is Computed	$315,324,220
Less Public Utilities	2,017,700
SANBORNTON'S NET VALUATION	**$313,306,520**

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FIVE YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON

	1999	2000	2001	2002	Initial 2003	Final 2003
Town	5.13	5.91	6.25	7.26	7.26	5.39
School (Local)	6.66	7.61	7.58	9.44	10.50	6.65
School (State)	6.59	6.47	6.60	6.81	5.95	3.74
County	1.92	2.09	2.40	2.30	2.44	1.54
Total Rate	**20.30**	**22.08**	**22.83**	**25.81**	**26.15**	**17.32**

INITIAL TAX RATE COMPUTATION FOR 2003

		TOTALS	TAX RATE
Town Portion:			
Appropriations	$2,612,516		
Less: Revenues	1,182,887		
Less: Shared Revenues	8,497		
Add: Overlay	9,233		
Add: War Service Credits	19,400		
Net Town Appropriation		$ 1,449,765	
Municipal Tax Rate			$7.26
School Portion:			
Due to Local School	$ 0		
Due to Regional School	3,863,341		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	596,015		
Less: State Education Taxes	1,170,636		
Net School Appropriation		$2,096,690	
Local Education Tax Rate			$10.50
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	4.92		
237,934,126		1,170,636	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
196,817,195			$5.95
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
		0	
County Portion:			
Due to County	$489,484		
Less: Shared Revenues	2,397		
Net County Appropriation		$ 487,087	
County Tax Rate			$2.44
COMBINED TAX RATE:			**$26.15**
Commitment Analysis:			
Total Property Taxes Assessed		$5,204,178	
Less: War Service Credits		19,400	
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT		**$5,184,778**	

Proof of Rate:

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	$196,817,195	$5.95	$1,170,636
All Other Taxes	199,659,195	20.20	4,033,542
			5,204,178

FINAL TAX RATE COMPUTATION FOR 2003

		TOTALS	TAX RATE
Town Portion:			
Appropriations	$2,612,516		
Less: Revenues	1,182,887		
Less: Shared Revenues	8,497		
Add: Overlay	253,470		
Add: War Service Credits	19,400		
Net Town Appropriation		$ 1,694,002	
Municipal Tax Rate			$5.39
School Portion:			
Due to Local School	$ 0		
Due to Regional School	3,863,341		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	596,015		
Less: State Education Taxes	1,170,636		
Net School Appropriation		$2,096,690	
Local Education Tax Rate			$6.65
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	4.92		
237,934,126		1,170,636	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
313,306,520			$3.74
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
		0	
County Portion:			
Due to County	$489,484		
Less: Shared Revenues	2,397		
Net County Appropriation		$ 487,087	
County Tax Rate			$1.54
COMBINED TAX RATE:			**$17.32**
Commitment Analysis:			
Total Property Taxes Assessed		$5,448,415	
Less: War Service Credits		19,400	
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT		**$5,429,015**	

Proof of Rate:

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	$313,306,520	$3.74	$1,170,636
All Other Taxes	315,324,220	$13.58	4,277,779
			$5,448,415

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Trust Fund

Date of Creation		Name of Trust	Principal: Beginning Balance 1/1/03	New Funds Created	Capital Gains/(Losses)	(Withdrawals)	Ending Balance 12/31/03
		Nonexpendable Trusts:					
Various	1	Cemetery Perpetual Care	$19,611.45				$19,611.45
Various	2	Library Funds	25,358.55				25,358.55
Various	3	Needy Poor Funds	20,683.43				20,683.43
Various	4	School & Parsonage	2,788.23				2,788.23
Various	5	School & Cemetery	5,590.91				5,590.91
Various	6	Scholarship Funds	27,083.30				27,083.30
Various	7	Fireman's Memorial Scholarship	6,430.84				6,430.84
Various	8	Playground	782.62				782.62
Various	9	Veteran's Memorial	1,287.68				1,287.68
			$109,617.01	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$109,617.01
		Expendable Trusts:					
		Capital Reserve Funds (CRF)					
	10	Heavy Equipment	$58,956.64	$10,000.00			$68,956.64
	11	Town Building Improvement	57,644.65	20,000.00			77,644.65
	12	Fire Truck	20,834.81	5,000.00			25,834.81
	13	Sanitary Landfill	3,677.73				3,677.73
	14	Road/Bridge Construction	33,278.01	25,000.00			58,278.01
	15	Winnisquam Fire Department	5,617.16				5,617.16
	16	Town Park	800.47				800.47
	17	Fire Truck Repair & Refurbish	12,502.45	5,000.00			17,502.45
	18	Fire Department Rescue Vehicle	28,817.25	5,000.00			33,817.25
	19	Fire Department Radios	1,321.63				1,321.63
	20	Town Library Construction	665.59				665.59
	21	Town Hall Restoration	6,212.46	5,000.00			11,212.46
	22	SAR Funds to SAR	0.00	17,733.00			17,733.00
	23	Thermal Imaging	0.00	2,200.00			2,200.00
			$230,328.85	$94,933.00	$0.00	$0.00	$325,261.85
			$339,945.86	$94,933.00	$0.00	$0.00	$434,878.86

This Report is Unaudited

(Trustees of Trust Funds continued)

of the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire

Beginning Balance 1/1/03	Income: Income	Income: Increase (Decrease) FV of Investments	Expenses: (Allocated)	Expenses: (Distributions)	Ending Balance 12/31/03	Principal and Income 12/31/03
$34,843.92	$2,400.55			($595.00)	$36,649.47	$56,260.92
2,677.24	1,187.28			(2,500.00)	1,364.52	26,723.07
29,866.79	2,160.37			(3,621.87)	28,405.29	49,088.72
2.17	123.68			0.00	125.85	2,914.08
7,798.71	593.50			0.00	8,392.21	13,983.12
9,905.80	1,565.52			(3,340.00)	8,131.32	35,214.62
4,432.09	481.50			0.00	4,913.59	11,344.43
888.47	74.07			0.00	962.54	1,745.16
146.98	62.26			(60.00)	149.24	1,436.92
$90,562.17	$8,648.73	$0.00	$0.00	($10,116.87)	$89,094.03	$198,711.04
$0.00	$916.22				$916.22	$69,872.86
0.00	891.87				891.87	78,536.52
0.00	322.05				322.05	26,156.86
0.00	53.34				53.34	3,731.07
0.00	520.64				520.64	58,798.65
0.00	81.47				81.47	5,698.63
0.00	6.44				6.44	806.91
0.00	180.14				180.14	17,682.59
0.00	445.93				445.93	34,263.18
0.00	19.16				19.16	1,340.79
0.00	5.35				5.35	670.94
0.00	90.10				90.10	11,302.56
0.00	0.00				0.00	17,733.00
0.00	0.00				0.00	2,200.00
$0.00	$3,532.71	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,532.71	$328,794.56
$90,562.17	$12,181.44	$0.00	$0.00	($10,116.87)	$92,626.74	$527,505.60

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT

By the end of 2003 there was a completely new Board of Trustees. The current Board of Trustees is reviewing prior trustee's records and existing policies and procedures associated with expenditures, record keeping and financial reporting. All future disbursements under the new Board of Trustees will be dictated by unbiased decisions and fully supported documentation.

During 2003, the Board of Trustees provided funding for: Cemetery maintenance, the Sanbornton Library, Needy Poor requests through the Town's Welfare Officer and four individual scholarships.

Two financial institutions were utilized which included: a checking account, two savings accounts, 12 Certificates of Deposit, a Money Market Fund, a Long-Term Corporate Investment Mutual Fund and an Equity Income Mutual Fund. Total income earned during the year was $12,181.44. At December 31, 2003 the Board was custodian for $527,505.60 of Trust Funds and Capital Reserve Funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Curt McGee, Chairman
Anne Cioffi, Trustee
Don Bormes, Trustee

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

(*Not classified as assets*)

Facility Descriptions	Assessed Value
Town Hall, Land & Buildings (TM 26.45)	$167,000
Equipment & Furniture	9,500
Town Office/Life Safety Building Land (TM 26.13)	52,400
Town Office Building	127,400
Equipment & Furniture	39,100
Life Safety Building	342,600
Police Department Equipment	105,595
Fire Department Equipment	507,480
Chapel Fire Station (TM 20.45)	59,600
Library, Land & Building (TM 26.42)	160,400
Furnishings & Books	168,500
Highway Department, Land & Buildings (TM 22.27)	123,200
Highway Department Equipment	270,600
Transfer Station/Recycling Facility (TM 20.63)	205,700
Transfer Station/Recycling Facility Equipment	38,319
Dr. True Town Beach (TM 11.75)	159,100
Hermit Lake Town Beach (TM 3.102)	150,100
Beach/Recreation Equipment	39,110

Tax Map #	Acreage	Description	Assessed Value
1.012	20.00	Mountain Road	$ 28,700
2.008	.82	Drake Road	29,600
2.021	.34	Grove Drive	8,900
3.003	.14	Plummer Pond Island	7,300
3.005	.27	Plummer Pond Island	N/V
3.014	.34	Grove Drive	8,900
3.023	.34	Birch Drive	8,900
3.068	.46	Circle Court	82,000
3.099	.90	Kennedy Road	9,700
3.118	.50	Birch Point Road	74,600
3.122	.40	Hermit Lake Road	44,800
3.130	.41	Hermit Lake Road	80,900
3.133	.34	Hermit Lake Island	7,900
3.142	1.04	Hermit Lake Island	103,900
3.143	.17	Hermit Lake Island	7,400
3.144	.09	Hermit Lake Island	7,100
3.145	.28	Hermit Lake Island	7,800
3.151	.05	Hermit Lake Island	6,900
3.170	.57	Stage Road	8,300
3.171	.06	Hermit Lake Island	7,000
3.172	1.86	Springhaven Road	10,600
4.32	128.00	Eastman Hill Road	167,200

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Tax Map #	Acreage	Description	Assessed Value
6.002	40.00	Knox Mountain Road	103,700
8.006	2.00	Hermit Lake Island	108,500
8.013	2.00	Hermit Lake Island	108,500
8.014	.23	Hermit Lake Island	7,600
8.015	.17	Hermit Lake Island	7,400
8.025	1.50	Hermit Woods Road	31,500
8.047	.15	Point Road	36,800
8.059	.47	Circle Point Road	82,300
9.020	1.00	Off Range Road	1,500
9.047	6.00	Eastman Rd (Common Area)	N/V
9.061	68.32	Taylor/Steele Hill Roads	148,100
9.107	9.19	Old Mountain Road	20,500
10.069	.17	Off Spring Road	7,700
10.095	1.00	Steele Hill Road	30,000
11.071	56.41	Dr. True/Lower Bay Roads	151,200
11.091	.02	Black Brook Road	2,300
12.062	1.82	Leighton Estates R.O.W.	54,400
15.075	2.20	Shute Hill Road	33,600
15.101	12.00	Tower Hill/Rufus Colby Roads	53,500
16.003	32.00	Off Range Road	63,000
16.004	19.00	Off Range Road	39,500
16.024	18.44	Off Range Road	38,700
16.065	7.00	Poplar Road	43,000
18.012	1.60	Bay Road	23,400
20.083	.58	Schoolhouse Road	29,000
20.083-1	.40	Schoolhouse Road	2,800
21.046	13.00	Pound Road	54,800
25.012	6.23	New Hampton Road	41,300
25.018	68.00	New Boston Road	8,916
25.025	.25	Mt. View Park Road	2,700
25.026	.21	Mt. View Park Road	2,600
25.027	.17	Mt. View Park Road	2,600
25.030	.12	Mt. View Park Road	2,500
25.034	.14	Mt. View Park Road	2,500
27.005	.23	Calef Hill Road (DAR Cemetery)	1,300
			$2,066,116

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

As the current Sanbornton Budget Committee Chairman I would like to thank our current Budget members for their combined dedication to our Committee. They each bring to the Budget committee their experience and genuine interest in helping the budgetary outlook of our town.

As a member of the Budget Committee I hope that this year and the following years will bring a new combined effort with the Selectmen and ourselves, to help all departments stay within their designated budgets.

I believe the town needs to refocus attention on our six year plan for capital improvements. There are at least three major projects coming down the line. The costs of these projects will greatly impact the Town Budget and we need to be planning for these expenditures now, so that there are no financial surprises.

Respectfully submitted,
Earl Leighton, Jr., Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Sanbornton Conservation Committee continues to meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the town offices. The public is always welcome.

At our meetings we reviewed several wetland permits and made recommendations to the land owners and sent the permits to DES.

We reviewed all the town owned land and made a recommendation to the selectmen to which parcels should be sold. We put 15 properties out to auction by sealed bid and 4 properties were sold. The town received $44,704.00 for the sale of these properties. In 2004 we will put the remaining properties out to bid. The bid process and schedule of sale will be announced at the town meeting.

The Meader property was reviewed and the conservation easement was found to be in compliance.

We reviewed several concerns regarding wetland violations and found property owners to be in compliance with DES guidelines.

I would like to thank Mary Ahlgren and Brad Crosby for becoming members of this commission.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Elliott
Chairman

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

I came into the Position of Emergency Management Director in March 2003. I have worked and operated an Emergency Management team and communication center over my years in the fire service. I found that this position was one filled with paper work and government meetings. Director Stan Barnes had done a tremendous amount of paper work for the Town and had things set in motion in the event of any disaster. Also his Deputy Director and mine, Jon Sanborn, has been great at assisting and keeping things together.

By the grace of God we have not had any situation that has required any emergency migration response or major assistance from outside our Town.

We have been putting together plans that in the event of a disaster all departments of the Town and outside agencies will be able to come to the aid of our community. That sounds strange, Sanbornton in need. We are the type of people that help others not the type that ask for help. What would be so bad we couldn't take care of it ourselves? Well, in today's times we never know and being prepared is just smart. Yes, I see us as a strong community of people but I also see, as others before us, the threat of a large scale Haz-Mat transportation incident on I-93 or a weather system that knocks out power to Sanbornton for weeks not days. These things are very real but we do have a plan, and the ability to over come and stabilize the incident.

The Life Safety Building is in the process of going online with backup generator power this year. Our emergency operation center is ready for operation and we are laying out the procedures and training for the personnel to work in it.

This isn't by any means a one person job. A number of things had been done by Director Barnes with the help of Katy DeCarteret, Chief Richard Robinson and Chief Jon Sanborn who is still helping me. Selectman Ralph Carter helped with the back up power along with Andy Sanborn's electrical knowledge and his brother's tractor. A handful of volunteer firefighters put in the forms and lastly the additional help of Chief Mark Barton in making our Community safe with his knowledge and planning abilities.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry L. Busby
Emergency Management Director

ENHANCED 911 REPORT

Stan Barnes retired early this year as Enhanced-911 Coordinator. Mr. Barnes put in hundreds of hours mapping and measuring every road in town. He will be sorely missed, and I thank him for his tireless work for the Town.

The Town of Sanbornton issued 20 new residential home permits as compared to 24 in 2002, and 23 in 2001. More than 100 properties changed ownership for the fifth year in a row.

Please post your street address where it is visible form the road. It is the law. You could be fined if your property is not posted correctly. For instructions on posting please see the ordinance that is located in the Town Office or Central Fire Station. If you have questions, please contact me through the Town Office.

In closing, I would like to thank Stacey Atherton for providing me with the information required to maintain the Enhanced-911 records.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Sanborn
Enhanced-911 Coordinator

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

In preparation for this report I reviewed the last 28 years of Sanbornton's Fire Department reports. If you have some time I think you will find that things overall have not changed that much. The fire calls and requests for emergency medical services were on the increase, the need for equipment to support the growing number of responses and the need for volunteers and to keep them trained were as they still are today, a priority.

One report I enjoyed but felt a little sadness was the 1975 report from Chief George S. Currier. This was the year Chief Currier submitted his resignation after 28 years of serving the Town of Sanbornton and the State of New Hampshire Fire Service. You can feel the love for the fire service in his words and as he closed the report he wrote "The Fire Service is my life". I only spoke with Chief Currier a few times before his passing this year but his eyes would shine if you asked about the department and his firemen. I know how he feels for the short time I have been here I have come to love our volunteers and I have felt the love for the fire service for many years myself. It is hard to say how it gets you but each time I drive up to the Station and see the Flag of the United States and open the door into the apparatus room with our fire trucks and ambulance I think of all the times our volunteers spend going to calls and training in order to help care and save lives I am overcome with the feeling that Chief Currier was saying "The Fire Service is my life". Chief Currier will be missed but he has left his foot print on the hearts of Sanbornton for ever.

Now what have we done this last year? Your volunteers and I have put in 3,456 hours in training and equipment checks. 345 extra hours were for Firefighter One and Two training and 1,102 hours for EMT- Basic, Intermediate and Paramedic training. Our Officers have trained 180 hours for Incident Command and how to train and teach others.

They responded to 352 calls for service in which some, if not all, never missed a call at all hours of night and day. That includes <u>any</u> day, Christmas, New Years, family day at home or in the middle of the night or all night before going to work they have responded to help their neighbors you and I. Volunteers see more hurt, pain and suffering in a year than most people see in a lifetime but they still keep going. They are wonderful people who I am very proud to work with.

Well, as I said over the past number years things still follow the same lines: more homes, more calls and the need for more equipment. This year's repair cost put us over budget. We are in need of upgrading or replacing our ambulance and getting fire trucks that are able to handle some of the roads and conditions we have year round here in Sanbornton. We will be asking the Budget Committee and Selectmen for these considerations. I also wish to thank these people, the Budget Committee and the Selectmen who also put in many hours of their time both night and day so we have our Town and the equipment we have. I ask for just my department needs while they have to look

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at the Town's overall needs and support all of the departments.

There are so many people that make up a community and make it work. There wouldn't be enough space to list all of them. In order for your Fire Department to function I wish to thank the Town Office who keeps the lights on and fuel and supplies in our trucks so we can respond; the Highway Department who year round enables us to have roads that we can travel; the Police Department who is always there when we need them and who protect us even when we don't know it; and the people who give of there time both volunteers and paid to see that our Town has a government to work and see the needs of the people. And lastly, the most important reason we are here is because of you, the people, who support us and for whom we serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry L. Busby, Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN & STATE FOREST RANGER'S REPORT

RSA 227-L:17 Permits; Damages; Penalties. –
I. It shall be unlawful for any person to kindle or cause to be kindled a fire upon the land of another without first obtaining permission from the landowner or the landowner's agent, or upon public land without the written permission from the official caretaker, excepting that upon a public recreational area where fireplaces and a supervisor are provided, presence of an official supervisor or caretaker upon such land shall constitute permission.

II. No person, firm, or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or shall burn or cause to be burned any material, and no city or town shall kindle or maintain a fire on a public dump, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written permit from the forest fire warden of the town where the burning is to be done unless it is in the presence of the warden or the warden's agent.

III. Permits for the burning of blueberry stands to increase their productivity and for the burning of waste materials of mills processing forest products may be granted by the forest ranger, provided such burnings are done under the surveillance of the landowner or the landowner's agent.

IV. Camp or cooking fires may be kindled only with written permission of the landowner or the landowner's agent and written permission of the forest fire warden of the town in which the fire is to be kindled and only at suitable times and in suitable places when the fire will not endanger woodlands; except in such towns as have adopted bylaws or regulations equally as stringent as provided in this paragraph. Camp or cooking fires may be built without written permission on public camp or picnic grounds when such areas are open for public use or private camp and picnic places where suitable fireplaces approved by the forest fire warden are provided for such fires. As used in this paragraph, a camp or cooking fire shall be a small fire suitable for cooking purposes used in connection with camp, picnic or lunch purposes and does not include the burning of household rubbish, or large amounts of brush or other flammable material. Whoever shall kindle or cause to be kindled any such fire or use an abandoned fire in or near woodlands shall totally extinguish the same before leaving it and, upon failure to do so, such person or persons shall be subject to the same liabilities and penalties as prescribed in this section.

V. Any person causing or kindling a fire without permit of the forest fire warden, when such permit is required, and any person by whose negligence, or by the negligence of the person's agents, any fire shall be caused, shall be liable in a civil action for the payment to the town, or the state or the United States, or any or all of the same, of the expenses incurred by the forest fire warden or deputy warden in attending or extinguishing such fire. The items of expenses of the fire shall be approved in writing by the director.

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VI. Every person who sets fire on any land, that runs upon the land of any other person, shall pay to the owner all damages done by such fire.

VII. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and any person who causes or kindles a fire by any means, willfully or recklessly, which shall endanger a woodland shall be guilty of a misdemeanor if a natural person, or guilty of a felony if any other person.

With the rains and cool weather there were no fires in our Sanbornton area that cause any damage. Fire Safety is a Year round concern be safe, if you have any question, please contact our office and we will be happy to help. Sanbornton does require you have a permit any time you burn, you can obtain a permit at the Life Safety Building or call 286-4819 for a time for an inspection.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry L. Busby
Forest Fire Warden

Deputy Wardens

Jon Sanborn	Robert Bodwell	Steven Surowiec
Richard Gray	Scott Taylor	Mark Foster
Ben Burlingame		

HEALTH AND ENFORCEMENT

The Town of Sanbornton is still growing. As you can see from the chart below we received 131 requests for permits during the year 2003. The total permits for 2001 were 106 and 2002 were 119. That is an increase of 12.26% and 10.08% respectively. The total expenses for 2003 were $1,948.20. The total income for 2003 was $20,530.70.

There has been a major change in the building permit this past year. In the past a building permit was good for one year and renewable one year at a time. Now the initial permit is good for 2 years and renewable for 1 year for a total of 3 years. After that a new permit is required.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Wells
Zoning Code Enforcement Officer
and
Bill Tobin
Health Officer

BUILDING PERMIT SUMMARY FOR 2003

PROJECT TYPE	NUMBER
Accessory (such as shed, garage, barn)	61 (1 renewal) (2 denied)
Addition (such as porch, living space)	21
Alteration (alteration of existing structure)	17
Antenna / Satellite / Cell Tower	1
Demolish (remove structure)	0
Home (new residence)	28 (5 renewals)
Demolish existing home and rebuild	2
Mobile Home (new residence)	1
Repairs (Repair of existing structure)	0
Temporary Housing	0
	131 Total

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

The winter of 2002-2003 was a busy time for the department as this time of year usually is. We were kept very busy from January thru the middle of March as we received several major snow storms during this time frame. The beginning of this winter has been very mild compared to last year, as we have only received two major snow storms and lots of rain. Overall it has been an average winter here in New England.

The Highway Black Grant projects for the past year included chip sealing parts of the following roads: Burleigh Hill Road, Johnson Road, Weeks Road, all of Skyline Drive, Osgood Road and Perley Hill Road. There was a lot of controversy over this project but it has accomplished what it was designed to and that was to seal the cracks in the roads and prolong their life. The department also purchased all the equipment needed to begin our extensive calcium chloride treatment of all our unpaved roads in town. This helps with the dust control as well as it also cuts down on the grading because the roads compact to a harder surface.

The bridge projects for this past year included redecking Knox Mountain and Huse Road bridges as well as painting the bridge railings on all bridges throughout the town.

During the summer and into the fall we replaced roughly 1200 feet of culvert pipe throughout the town in our continued effort to upgrade the draining system and to replace failed culverts.

The following personnel left the department this past year to pursue other careers: Jeremy Perkins and Lloyd Howes. I would like to take this time to wish them the best of luck in the future and also thank them for their service to the town.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the other departments for their help and cooperation during the past year.

In closing I would like to thank all the personnel that work for me for their support for it is a team effort that gets the work accomplished as easily as it does. And last but not least I would like to thank all the citizens of our fine town for their patience while we work hard at maintaining all our roads.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Griffin, Road Agent

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT

The Historic District Commission has been entrusted and empowered "To recognize and maintain those natural and structural features within the Historic District which are historically, culturally or architecturally significant and which characterize the Town of Sanbornton."

The past year has been a quiet one in the Historic District. The Commission reviewed and approved the construction plans for a porch and a tool shed in the Historic District.

I would like to thank the members of the Historic District Commission for dedicating their time and effort to preserving the character of the Historic District. The Commission welcomes input and inquiries of interested persons. Please call me at 286-7833 if you are interested in attending or have questions concerning the work of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Bartlett, Chairperson

OLD GRAVEYARDS AND CEMETERIES COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee continued its efforts in 2003 with the following members: Peter Hibberd, Millie Shaw, Bob Bodwell and Sally Hibberd.

The goals continued to be as follows:

1. Find graveyards that had not previously been accounted for.
2. Clear those graveyards to enable normal maintenance to begin.
3. Record the new details in the Master Graveyard Book.
4. Update the Master Graveyard Book as required.

Progress towards these goals have been:

1a. No additional graveyards were located this year.
2a Clearing continued on many graveyards that require it.
3a Details has been recorded in The Master Graveyard Book as required.
4a. A re-issue of the Master Graveyard Book would be an unnecessary cost to the town.

There have been a couple of burials in private graveyards that have not been recorded, but will be once I have received the information.

Many hours have been spent searching for graveyards that are thought to be out in the woods. Mosquitoes, brambles, bogs, heat and other bugs were the only winners on those occasions. I now have a special bug-proof overall for 2004 so at least mosquitoes will not be much of a problem.

Many hours have been spent continuing the clearing of decades of maple growth in graveyards with the main problem being carrying all the saws and tools required through the woods and/or fields to get to the graveyard locations, but the end result makes it worthwhile.

Check the Town Office at any time where you can read through the Master Graveyard Book, and see the location Map on the wall. The Graveyard listing in the front of the Book is an updated one, which shows the approximate location of the graveyards by referencing the Town of Sanbornton E-911 location also.

In the Old Town boundaries of Sanbornton, we have located 93 graveyards and have confirmed that many more, so called Pasture Sights, have been ploughed under over the past 50 years and may never be located. We are still working on the graveyard at the corner of Cram Road and Philbrick Road that had previously been ploughed under. We located this one a couple of years ago and removed the top 4' – 5' of soil and uncovered three headstones and about twelve base stones so far.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter F. Hibberd

TRUSTEE OF GRAVEYARDS AND CEMETERIES REPORT

The additional three graveyards that were located by the Cemetery Committee once again increased the number of graveyards that are to be maintained.

As the Budget amount to perform this task was not increased, I did as much as possible with the resources available. As there are some graveyards that require six or seven cuts a year, in addition to clearing branches etc., others, especially those deep in the woods and/or well off the roads, had to have limited coverage.

I rotate those "difficult to reach" graveyards, so that they are checked every couple of years or so rather than every year. I feel, however that we are able to do an excellent job keeping up with the needs.

Again I checked the 2,000 gravesites during the year in some form or another, and will be starting in 2004 as soon as the snow clears and going through until November or December as in previous years.

In addition to my efforts, the three churches are responsible for the maintaining of their own cemeteries, as does the Association for the Union Cemetery on Woodman Road.

I do check these graveyards maintained by others but appreciate those volunteers, churches and the association for doing such a fine job helping to complete the overall task of maintenance. There are 93 graveyards so far that are checked and about 77 that I do work on as Tilton and Franklin do those in their Towns that were within the Old boundaries of Sanbornton.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally D. Hibberd

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

In March 2003, the Planning Board proposed eight (8) amendments to the Sanbornton Zoning Ordinance. At the March 2003 Town meeting, amendments 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were passed, however, amendments 2 and 4 failed. For further details of the individual amendments you may refer to the 2002 town report, which are available at the Town Office.

With the untimely resignation of the entire Planning Board, mid-year, the various initiative schedules for review/consideration have been abandoned. The establishment of a new Planning Board was immediately undertaken by the Selectmen. As would be expected, there was a transition period to develop the continuity of the new board members. During this period, there was a delay in processing some applications, but as of this writing this issue, it is behind us.

Going forward in 2004 the board will begin the process of updating the Capital Improvement Plan and review of the Master Plan that was abandoned by the previous boards' resignation.

Respectfully submitted,
John A. Purple
Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The year of 2003 continued to show an increase in arrests and remain a very challenging year for the Police Department. With increased building in our town and surrounding communities this had made a very busy year.

The Police Department continues to work on new ways to help keep our community safe and to provide services to our residents, now and in the future. We have our morning and evening call programs for residents wishing to be checked by the police department and I encourage anyone who lives alone to take advantage of it. We also work with our local schools through our *DARE* and *CHILD FIND* programs as well as participating in school crossings to give our children and opportunity to meet our officers and to enhance our children's safety.

The Police Department also provides free gunlocks to any Sanbornton resident looking to make their firearms safer in the household. The Police Department will also provide any training or information in regards to the use and storage of firearms free of charge to the public. We have also started supplying used cell phones to anyone wishing to obtain one for the use of making 911 calls. Although we have a limited supply, the phones are free and can be obtained by contacting any member of the Sanbornton Police Department. This service is provided by the generous residents who have donated their old cell phones.

I would like to thank the Sanbornton Police Relief Association as they have worked hard this past year. The association was very active in the Santa Fund as well as contributing to many other local causes. I would also like to thank our dedicated officers for the effort they put forth every day to ensure that Sanbornton remains a safe community for all.

In closing I would like to say thank you for the overwhelming support our residents show us. The support that you show us is truly what makes it all worth the effort.

Please visit us at *www.sanborntonpolice.org*

Respectfully yours,
Mark R. Barton
Chief of Police

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POLICE STATISTICS

CALLS FOR SERVICE	
ACCIDENTS	134
ALL OTHER	894
ANIMAL	241
ASSAULT	17
ASSIST	505
AUTO THEFT	0
BURGLARY	16
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	44
CRIMINAL THREAT	13
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	33
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	155
DOMESTIC	110
DRUG OFFENSE	22
DWI	40
FRAUD	20
HOUSE CHECK REQUEST	39
LIQUOR LAWS	33
MOTOR VEHICLE	1590
RAPE	2
RECOVERED PROPERTY	22
ROBBERY	1
SEX OFFENSE	4
SUICIDE/UNTIMELY DEATH	2
THEFT	36
WARRANTS	1
WEAPONS VIOLATIONS	6
CIVIL	1
FORGERY	1
TOTAL CALLS	**3936**

ARRESTS	
AG. SEXUAL ASSAULT	1
ASSAULT	19
AUTO THEFT	0
BENCH WARRANT	8
CHILD ABUSE / NEGLECT	6
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY	1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	6
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	5
CRIMINAL THREAT	1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	22
DISOBEYING POLICE	3
DRUG OFFENSE	23
DWI	40
INTOXICATION	46
LIQUOR LAWS	32
MOTOR VEHICLE	338
OP. AFTER SUSPENSION	25
ARREST WARRANTS	18
. ROBBERY	0
THEFT	1
BURGLARY	2
TOTAL ARREST	**597**

FELONY	11
MISDEMEANOR	113
VIOLATIONS	473

Financial Report

2003 Appropriation	$330,797
2003 Expenditures	$323,837.44
2004 Request	$356,228

2003 Detail Appropriation	$28,875
2003 Detail Revenues	$36,907.50
2004 Request	$28,000

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The welfare department operated well under budget, maintaining State and local standards, and a high level of service and resources to its clients.

New policies, procedures and guidelines were written and accepted by the Board of Selectmen. The town is now in compliance with State requirements for this department. Through this compliancy, the town was able to recover funds due from prior assistance to past and present recipients.

Outside services were utilized for each and every client when able. Through this referral process, several clients were able to receive long-term support that would have been an expense to the town.

A need to help residents bridge the gap between income and food was quite apparent. A community effort was established last November with the First Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church and the Congregational Church to have a food drive on Thanksgiving Eve. The response was great, setting forth the groundwork for twelve families in town to be the recipients of holiday food baskets. Word of what was being done spread and contributions were received from many outside resources. This cooperative effort will continue with the three churches doing monthly food drives. This resulted in the inception of the Sanbornton Food Pantry.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Sanbornton churches, their parishioners, and town residents for their past and future support of me in my endeavors as Overseer of Welfare.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine M. Thompson
Overseer of Public Welfare

RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

Reflecting back over the year 2003, below are just some of what the Recreation Commission is offering to our community. The Commission is currently offering over 18 programs and eager to add more. Do you have suggestions? We would like to hear from you at: sanbrec@metrocast.net or 286-2659. Highlights of the year:

Old Home Day at the First Baptist Church was a huge success. The Commission coordinated with Mr. Phil "The Balloon Guy" organizing games and activities for three one hour time slots.

Summer Day Camp staff once again did an excellent job keeping 45 campers busy, safe and happy despite the rainy days. Activities included games, crafts, and weekly trips to the following: State Parks, local attractions, Town beaches and the Library Summer Program.

Before & After School Program is now in it's eighth year running. The Before & After program opens at 7:00am and runs until school starts, the After School portion begins at 3:15 and runs until 5:30pm. The program is growing and currently has over thirty-five children enrolled in the program on a regular basis. This program is vital to working parents. The school offers an excellent and safe place for all the children attending.

Youth Basketball had a great year. The program has grown so that the younger children are separated by grade for practice. There were two 3rd & 4th grade teams, one 5th & 6th grade boys team and one 5th & 6th girls team. The 5th & 6th grade "Angels" girl team for the last three years has thrived under the coaching of Joel Smith and Paula Young. This team has offered a great opportunity for the girls to play, learn and excel at the sport.

Seniors enjoyed a trip to Cannon Mountain Tramway. The weather was warm and beautiful plus the view was spectacular. Twenty seniors enjoyed a bag lunch at the bottom of the mountain. There was great conversation time with old friends and some new ones.

Halloween Party held at Sanbornton Central School was a wonderful time. The high school students from Sant Bani School once again ran all the games. The returning gypsy teller continues to be a big hit. New this year the Heritage Farm offered a haunted hayride to children after the party at the school. Nineteen children took a scary hayride and then a walk through the corn maze. It was a spooky time for all.

Floor Hockey started up again with three months of intramural style play at the SCS gym this spring. The children could come once a week and enjoy an hour of great fun. The Commission hopes to offer this on a more regular weekly basis. Kevin Archibald & Jon Guilmain did a great job running the program. The adults played after the kids were finished.

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Beaches were well guarded this year and well attended by the community. Swimming lessons were offered and over 60 children took advantage of this great opportunity at Hermit Beach. Our water safety instructor Sarah Ahern continues to do an outstanding job with the children. However, duck itch continues to be a problem on Winnisquam beach. Vandalism was down at the beaches, possibly due to guards removing ladders after every shift and to the frequent spot checks by the police department.

Town Park: The WRHS Field Hockey team once again used Town Park for the fall season. The school maintains the park in exchange for usage. For two years in a row, the girls clenched the class M-S State Championship. Congratulations to the girls for another outstanding year!

Soccer is wonderful sport enjoyed by over a 125 children preschool through 6th grade. This fall sports hosted three traveling teams that played surrounding community recreational programs. The 3rd & 4th grade teams hosted a two day jamboree which every team had 4 games over the weekend. This is an excellent opportunity for the kids to learn the sport.

Ice Skating Sunday evenings in January & February many people to advantage of ice-skating at the Tilton Prep School ice arena. Lessons were offered and the ice is opened up to family skate and open skate for three hours. The Commission is glad to work with the Pines C.C. on this great winter activity for the community.

Gunstock Skiing Outreach Program is highly attended. Lessons are at given at discounted rates on Friday evenings. Thirty-Five children enjoyed snowboarding or skiing in all that snow.

Tot-Time is a brand new program that is in the works for the coming year. The Commission hopes to utilize the Old Town hall and the Library for its location. The group is for children not yet enrolled in school. This will be a helpful tool to new and old families in our Town to get to know each other. Currently one morning a week is planned, however additional time will be added as needed.

The Commission would like to say **thank you** to all our volunteers. Your dedication, energy and enthusiasm to the Commission are greatly appreciated. A special thank you goes out to Bert Whetstone for years of devoted service to the youth of our Town.

Respectfully Submitted,
Juliana Lonergan,
Recreation Coordinator

SANBORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

During the months of January through September 2003, the library continued to keep pace with the needs of the community, while working on the addition project. Also during this time the Co-Director/Librarians completed the policy updates, held a very successful pre-school story time, continued the class visits from Sanbornton Central School, and met the needs of young and adult readers. We were able to purchase many new books, which were a challenge to find space for, and kept up with all other audio/visual materials. Our usual summer program for kids was again a success with the highlight of the season ending with Dan Grady and his marionettes.

The financial goals for the new addition of the library required so many new fund-raisers and became so demanding that the trustees formed a special short-term subcommittee just for that purpose. This group has been very successful, with a new fund letter, a dinner dance at Steele Hill Resort, and continued sales at the library of many products. A group of town residents, working independently from the trustees of the library, also created a fund-raiser with the *Sanbornton Naturally* calendar, which has raised the most money of any single fund-raiser since we began in 1999. Thanks to these two groups, the last of the amount to raise is on its way to completion.

As the year progressed it became apparent that it was time for Diane and me to retire fully from the library, and in June, notice was given that we would end our third year of co-directing on September 30. Working in a semi-retired position with Diane Mitton, the recently retired Director from Gilford Library, has been a very successful endeavor. We were able to keep up with the addition plans and also keep the library up to pace with the state requirements and the needs of our patrons, in very crowded conditions. I value this past opportunity to have worked with such a knowledgeable librarian as Diane is, and thank her for her commitment to Sanbornton.

The Trustees had great success with their search for a new Director, and in the last week of September former high school librarian Chris Finer was hired as the new Director/Librarian. He has had many challenges to face with the enormous job of working in very tight quarters, learning the process of a small library, coping with the in-house fund-raisers, setting up three new computers, starting an e-mail newsletter, and meeting the ongoing needs of the patrons. His outgoing personality and quick learn talents are making his work here a success, and all are pleased with his new plans for the library. If you haven't met Chris yet, plan to visit the library soon and see what's new here.

The thirty years that I have worked at Sanbornton Library has been quite a journey. I started in 1973 as a Library Aide, then as an Assistant Librarian and Children's Librarian, and finally as Director/Librarian since 1987. I appreciate the opportunity the Board of Trustees has given me to write this report. I have thanked many of you in person or with written notes, but would like to say thank you again to all those who served as Trustees, to the staff and volunteers, and especially to all the library patrons and visitors. Without all of you, the library would not be able to function and grow to the successful place it is today in the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Priscilla Bodwell
Retired Director/Librarian

SOLID WASTE REPORT

The year 2003 was a very good year for the recycling center. We recycled a record amount of 310.20 tons of material, for the items that we get paid for. Marketing these recyclables, we received a total of $11,470.61. This is the most we have ever received for sales in any given year. The total monies received including grant money was $101,752.11.

Just about all totals have risen for the other items that we handle; florescent tubes, rechargeable batteries, tires, and used oil. Most of these items (except tires) we have been able to either recycle or dispose of at a reduced cost or no cost. As a community we recycle more items than many of the surrounding towns, something we should be proud of. Many citizens asked that we recycle old cell phones, ink cartridges, and toner cartridges. These programs are working very well and the numbers show this. We hadn't received any monies for these items, but have now found a program that will do so. It seems every year we start collecting a new item to be recycled. Many people contribute to the swap shop, and these items are reused, or go to Goodwill Charities. The kids love to come in and check out the toy section. Our library changes weekly so please feel free to browse the book shelves. You may find that book you have been hunting for.

This year we received a 500 gallon oil tank to collect used oil in. To offset the costs we received grant monies for this from the State of New Hampshire. We will be applying for a grant for a used oil heater to get heat in our smaller building. We can't wait to get it all set up.

The staff would like to thank the town's people for the hard work and effort that you put into making the Transfer Station/Recycling Center a model facility. We are recognized throughout the state for the excellent program that we have and the enthusiasm with which we get this job done.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary O'Neil, Facility Manager

TOWN GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE

The Sanbornton Town Government Study Committee (TGSC) was formed May 6, 2003. The Selectmen initially appointed all the volunteers that signed up with interest to serve on the TGSC. The direction given the TGSC was to carry out the charge proposed by Warrant Article 23 at Town Meeting. After the initial meetings the Committee membership stabilized with the following ten town members:

Helmut Busack	Peter Thompson
Joe Damato	Katy Kannly-DeCarteret
Bob McCulla	Don Foudriat
Jane Goss	Evelyn Auger, Vice Chair
Debbie Lynch	Jeff Jenkins, Chairman

The Committee's first task was to establish by-laws to govern the TGSC. These by-laws laid out a clear role for the Committee, listed what we expected of each of our members and the duties of the Committee's Officers. The "Role of The Committee" is to review Town Government functions and to bring forth recommendations to next Town Meeting. The guidance given was that the TGSC was to investigate, collect factual data, and present recommendations from an informed position to the local legislative body.

The second step was "brain storming" to create a list "Suggested Ideas for Review". Through any & all input offered to include surveying the Town Department Heads, and holding a Public Informational Meeting at the Town Hall, we had compiled well over fifty ideas that people thought we should review. We consolidated these ideas into categories, prioritized the order of work that we would develop our study/review on. Categorized list as follows:

1.) Selectmen form of Government
2.) Town Officers & Employees
3.) Financial Accountabilities
4.) Number of Full Time Employees
5.) Road Agent - Elected or Career
6.) Town Public Safety Buildings
7.) Who to oversee other Town Buildings
8.) Tax Collection Process
9.) Yearly Town Property Inventory
10.) Town Mechanic
11.)Town Ordinances
12.) Town Meeting
13.) Town Report– What to Include
14.) Town Owned Land Holdings

In establishing these priorities consideration was given to member's individual priority listings, the perceived importance to the Town, and possible involvement currently in motion by other town organizations. ie: The Selectmen discussing semi-annual Tax Collection, and the Conservation Commission has a strong handle on monitoring and making recommendations for "Town Owned Land Holdings".

With the "Selectmen form of Government" on top of our list this was our next step.

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The Committee members collected data from the N.H. Office of State Planning, N.H. Department of Revenue, N.H. Municipal Association, Lakes Region Planning Commission, N.H. Environmental Services' web site for Town Profiles, and numerous telephone calls to neighboring town officials. With this broad base of data we were able to compare Sanbornton with Towns of similar size and demographics to see what has been working well for others. Topics included in this study were: 3 or 5 Selectmen, Clerks & Secretaries for Selectmen, Administrative Assistants, Town Administrators, and Town Managers. Many of these jobs are meant to assist the Selectmen with their duties and have overlapping responsibilities that differ from town to town. The one job description that clearly differs from the rest is the "Town Manager". The Town Manager's job description is clearly set by State RSA's and places them in the chain-of-command between all Town employees and the Selectmen. This form of Government would bring a person who could make daily operational discussions five days a week and then report back to the Selectmen on what action was taken. This person would free up a lot of the tedious time that normally bog down the selectmen, one such example, the Town Manager would be responsible for the town payroll and signing of checks. Important for us to note, Chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes not only cites this person's job description but also how a Town is to go about adopting this form of government. Following the path that is outlined to enact this Town Manager's Position you will find on the paper ballot given to voters Tuesday, March 9th a line were you may vote "Yes" or "No" on this subject. The TGSC is recommending a "Yes" vote to adopt the Town Manager Plan as a way of improving Town Government. Those who wish to read the RSA's may do so on the web at (http:www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/indexes/37html.) Please feel free to approach any member of the Committee with questions you might have.

The second area the TGSC has investigated and wishes to recommend a change, is the position of "Road Agent – Elected or Career". We were able to use much of the data compiled above, selecting ten towns nearly equal in size and demographics, plus three abutters. We compared term elections to career employees. It was found that as towns grow and responsibilities increase the trend is to move toward Career Employee Positions to Head Departments, as we have already seen here in Sanbornton with the Fire and Police Departments. A Career Department Head is more apt to plan further into the future than election to election. It was noted that once a Highway Department Budget exceeded $400,000 and/or had more than four fulltime employees most towns have advanced to a "Career Position" to head their Highway Department. Of the thirteen towns studied, all but six have made that transition. Of that remaining six, two are discussing placing the change on their ballot to vote on this year and two more do not own Town Equipment. The following recommendations are in no way meant to belittle the job performed by those in the past, but rather to keep up with the times and give those of the future, the

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tools to manage with a stronger, more secure position. At present there is a split chain-of-command for employees within the Highway Department caused by State RSA's. Each day the employees get direction from the Road Agent but technically the Selectmen are their boss. If the Town were to establish a "Career Position" for the Road Agent then the employees would not only get direction from but also answer to the Road Agent through Town Policy and Procedures, a more direct chain-of-command, one boss. The TGSC recommends this change in Town Government and will bring this suggestion forward for your vote at Town Meeting in the form of a Warrant Article.

The TGSC is actively using the Town's new web site to post minutes and reports for the public to access, please visit at (http://www.sanbornton-nh.gov).

The TGSC has other topics that the Committee would need more time to research, should the Selectmen or Legislative Body wish the Committee to continue, the Committee's membership is willing to do so.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Jenkins, Chairman

TOWN HALL RESTORATION COMMITTEE

With the major task of formulating a plan for the utilization of the old Town Hall that includes both preservation of the original structure and inclusion of the community's desire for a social and civic center completed, this year's activities have been focused on bringing the plan to the public and to the pertinent local boards. Additionally, a Stewardship plan for the long-term maintenance and management of the building was submitted and accepted by the Selectmen.

Other activity includes:

- A presentation of the plan and informational meeting held on June 10th.
- The "Thread Of Sanbornton" fund raising program raised more than $1,800 toward the restoration of the hall. Thanks to all who have shown support for the Community in this way.
- The Carl Ellis fund received $420 toward the project. Many thanks to the Ellis family and those who have donated in his name.
- The Town received substantially the remainder of the LCHIP grant monies, final disbursement in the amount of $6,348.50, for a total award of $16,968.50 on a final total project cost of $33,937 to offset 50% of the cost of the planning and Architectural study now published on the Historical documents web site.
- The Town was awarded a $10,000 grant from the NH Moose plate program, toward an estimated $16,000 roofing replacement and repairs to the Tower structure. Application for this grant would not have been successful without the use of the Architectural study as foundational material.
- The Committee has recommended that the Town commit funding for the remainder of the immediate preservation repairs to the building, including scraping and repainting the building estimated at $5,250. Volunteer efforts for this were examined, with the conclusion that liability due to lead paint be avoided by contracting the work.

Looking forward:
An unforeseen problem has developed with the State's refusal to fund the New Hampshire Land and Community Investment Program, with a lost opportunity for 50% funding of the construction phase of a community center. Sanbornton's Town hall Restoration is eminently qualified for the LCHIP grant program. The Funding plan had been to include this offset to the Taxpayers.

The architectural study and building plan have been forwarded to the Selectmen, Budget committee, Planning board, and Historic District Commission. We are hopeful that the project be given serious consideration as part of a Capital Improvement program.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Sanborn, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Sanbornton Zoning Board of Adjustment heard eleven cases in 2003: six were seeking Special Exception and five were seeking Variances.

The Zoning Board is a board comprised on ten residents, five of whom are members and five are alternate members. Currently, there is an opening for one additional member, as an alternate. All ten members are appointed for three-year terms and are allowed to hear and vote on any appeal before the board. The Board can hear appeals from individuals who feel wronged by inflexible zoning ordinance requirements and/or administrative decisions of other town boards. Special Exceptions to our zoning ordinance can also be granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Appearing before the Zoning Board provides residents the first step in the appeals process before entering the court system. Decisions of the Zoning Board are based on State Law, legal precedent, and our town Zoning Ordinance.

As stated in Article 1 of the Zoning Ordinance, the Sanbornton Zoning Ordinance exists "for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals, prosperity, convenience or general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development of the inhabitants of the Town of Sanbornton, New Hampshire, by securing safety from fire, panic and other dangers, providing adequate areas between buildings and various rights-of-way, by preserving the rural charm now attached to our Town, the promotion of good civic design and arrangements, wise and efficient expenditure of public funds, and the adequate provision of public utilities and other public requirements, and by other means".

The Zoning Board of Adjustment meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month, as applications require, but applicants should inquire with the clerk for the exact date in any given month. Applications for special exceptions or variance may be obtained from the Selectmen's Office. Completed applications should be returned by the first day of the month in which the appeal is desired to be heard.

Interested residents are invited to attend the hearing scheduled in any month. Notice of hearing and meeting minutes are posted publicly and are a matter of public record.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann E. Littlefield, Clerk

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Case	Applicant	Location	TM#	Status
#368	George F. Kelley IV	Gray Rd	12.036	Granted: 1/28/03
Variance, Build into 40ft. setback				
#369	Andrew Dagoumas	Stage Road	03.169	Granted: 2/25/03
Spec. Excep., Convert single to multi-fam.				
#370	William K. Nutter	March Road	27.030	Granted: 5/27/03
Spec. Excep. – gravel permit / JMN Enterprises, Inc.				*Permit to Operate standards*
#371	William Daley	Bay Rd	18.055	Granted: 5/27/03
Spec. Excep., Convert single to mulit-fam.				
#372	Craig/Cindy Weisman	Upper Bay Road	10.063	Tabled: 5/27/03
Variance, Build into 30ft. setback				
#372	Craig/Cindy Weisman	Upper Bay Road	10.063	Granted: 6/24/03
Variance, Build into 30ft. setback				
#373	Stephen Johnston	Tilton Bridge Road	15.011	Granted: 6/24/03
Spec. Excep. – gravel permit renew				*Conditions*
#374	Peter/Diann/Martha Kashulines	New Hampton Rd	25.035	Granted: 8/26/03
Spec. Excep., Convert single to multi-fam.				
#375	George/Brenda LaPointe	Gray Road	12.034	Granted: 9/23/03
Spec. Excep., Build into 40ft. setback				
#376	Dulac Land Trust, Inc.	Osgood Road	20.013	Granted: 10/28/03
Variance, Two residence, one lot				
#377	Jeffrey Day	New Hampton Road	15.063	Tabled: 10/28/03
Variance, Build into front setback				
#377	Jeffrey Day	New Hampton Road	15.063	Granted: 11/25/03
Variance, Build into front setback				
#378	James/Barbara Evans	Winni Park Road.	11.037	Granted: 11/25/03
Variance, Rebuild off orginal footprint				

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM REPORT

The Community Action Program provides utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling, as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns. These support/advocacy services are not tracked. Following is a summary of services provided to Sanbornton residents by the Franklin Area Center of the Belknap-Merrimack Community Action Program:

Service Description	Units of Service	Persons	Total Value
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	63 Packages	5	$1,575.00
Congregate Meals	662 Meals	26	$4,620.76
Core	1 Home	6	2,402.00
Emergency Food Pantries	660 Meals	132	$3,300.00
Family Planning		35	$3,500.00
Fuel Assistance	67 Applications	141	$31,995.00
Women, Infants & Children	327 Vouchers	27	$14,715.00
Meals-On-Wheels	407 Meals	13	$2,844.93
Neighbor Helping Neighbor	2 Grants		$455.43
CAP Transportation	32 Rides	1	$173.44
Weatherization	4 Homes	8	$6,556.00
Head Start	1 Child		$7,309.00
Crisis Fund	22 Grants		$635.69
GRAND TOTAL			**$80,082.25**

Sincerely,
Gail Lyman, Area Director

COMMUNITY HEALTH & HOSPICE REPORT

Community Health & Hospice, Inc. is a not-for- profit home health care and support service agency serving Belknap County. Services are divided into four main areas: the *homecare* program provides traditional visiting nurse service, the *hospice* program provides end-of-life care, the *young family* program provides pediatric clinical care and family support, and the *homemaker* program provides chore and companion service to the elderly and disabled.

During the year 2003, Community Health & Hospice provided a total of 856 home visits to Sanbornton residents, representing a 16% increase in services to the town. In particular, town residents saw significant increases in services provided by physical and occupational therapists and a dramatic increase in hospice services. Services through the hospice program made up over one quarter of all the services directed toward Sanbornton residents. In addition, there were modest increases in the volume of services to children through our Pediatric program and to senior citizens through the homemaker program.

Sanbornton provides an appropriation to Community Health & Hospice to assist in assuring services to residents. These funds are used to do the following:

- provide matching state funds for homemaker and companion service to the elderly, allowing them to age in their own homes;
- provide pediatric visiting nurses and parenting education to high risk children and families;
- to provide childhood immunization service;
- to provide hospice support and medication service to persons at the end of life;
- to find children without health insurance and enroll them in Healthy Kids

If you would like to learn more about Community Health & Hospice, or if you would like to see the extent of our charitable services, please go to our website: www.chhnh.org. In addition, we have just added the Community Assessment on the web site. This assessment is a comprehensive look at the assets and needs of the Lakes Region.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Franckhauser, ARNP, MS, MPH
Executive Director

CONCORD – MERRIMACK COUNTY SPCA REPORT

The Concord-Merrimack County SPCA serves, on a contractual basis, as Sanbornton's animal welfare facility. The agency accepts stray dogs brought in by the Sanbornton Police Department and the town is charged an incoming fee for each animal. Residents claiming their dogs from the shelter must pay a per diem fee to help defray a portion of the daily expense of maintaining the animal in the shelter. The owner's per diem charge doubles when a dog arrives as a stray for the third time. The agency encourages everyone to have collars and identification tags on their pets at all times or microchipped/tattoed for easy identification and return. Stray dogs are held for 7 days before becoming the property of the Concord-Merrimack County SPCA.

Those needing to surrender pets to the agency must call and schedule an incoming appointment to ensure space is available for the animal. A $30 surrender fee is required for all surrendered pets.

The agency houses dogs, cats, and small domesticated mammals such as rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, mice and rats. The staff is dedicated to finding homes for all adoptable animals, and there is no minimum or maximum holding period.

In addition to serving as a shelter facility for homeless animals, the shelter hosts a low-cost rabies/microchip clinic each April, and serves the community through humane education programs offered to schools, pre-schools, and community groups. Staff is available to present programs outlining the shelter's services to adult service organizations and other interested groups. There is an active volunteer program and a Pet Therapy program for those interested in visiting hospitals and senior citizen facilities with your pet.

Animals available for adoption and general information about the facility, including directions and hours, are available on the website at www.concordspca.org. The shelter's phone number is 753-6751.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Clabaugh
Director of Development/Assistant Director

GENESIS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Genesis Behavioral Health is very grateful to the Town of Sanbornton for your 2003 appropriation. This funding helped Genesis cover the costs of providing mental health care to residents of your town who are unable to pay the full cost of their services.

During Fiscal Year 2003 (ending June 30, 2003), a total of 41 Sanbornton residents came to Genesis to find help for their mental health problems. Their ages break down as follows:

Ages 1 to 17	12
Ages 18 to 59	23
60 & over	6
Total	41

From this total, 9 residents did not have the resources to cover the costs of their services in full. This "charity care" totaled $9,555 (an increase of 55% over the previous year). Your town appropriation helped cover a portion of those costs.

Since 1966, Genesis Behavioral Health has provided mental health services for residents of the Lakes Region. Services are provided to children in schools, at home and in special programs designed to help the children practice the skills they need to improve their lives. Elders may receive services in their homes, group homes or nursing homes. Our Gatekeeper Program trains community volunteers to be alert to elders living alone who may need assistance. The Genesis Community Support Program provides services for adults living with life-long mental illnesses. Finally, individual therapy for adults and children can help address issues causing distress as well as provide guidance towards positive behaviors. Genesis emergency services are available 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

It's a fact. One out of five Americans will experience some kind of mental illness every year. Residents seeking mental health care are urged to call Genesis in Laconia at 524-1100.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Coughlin
Executive Director

LAKES REGION COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNCIL

Lakes Region Community Services Council provides support and services to families with children and adults who have developmental disabilities and live in Sanbornton and the surrounding communities. Some of the support we provide to people with disabilities includes: support to families, respite, help to find jobs, help with keeping employed, involvement with community activities, assistance with personal care needs and transportation.

The funds received from your town continue to be used to support the recreation coordinator's position. She has been working with recreation departments and community members in several towns organizing or assisting in events that created opportunities for all to participate.

We would like to thank the citizens of Sanbornton for your on-going and future support of making recreation opportunities available in your community.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Crocker, Executive Director

LAKES REGION CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REPORT

Child and Family Services very much appreciates the support that we have received from the Town of Sanbornton. Your support helps provide the resources we need to continue to provide effective, affordable services to children and their families.

Last year your support helped us to provide 17 Sanbornton residents with 356 hours of service.

Town support, combined with other funds, enables us to offer to offer a wide variety of services to Sanbornton residents on a sliding scale basis. No one is ever denied service because of an inability to pay.

Family and Children's Counseling Professional social workers provide counseling services that utilize individual and family strengths to address a wide variety of issues including death, divorce, substance use, abuse and neglect, and other social and mental health issues.

Adoption Services help insure that children being adopted are placed in good families who are prepared for parenting and ready for the unique joys and challenges of raising an adopted child. Services are also available after the adoption is final for adoptive parents, their children and birthparents.

Child Health Support provides parent aides to assist families who have abused or neglected children to solve the problems that led to the abuse or neglect and to strengthen the family.

Integrated Home Based Services prevents recurrence of abuse, neglect and delinquency through provision of an integrated series of services designed to meet the specific family's needs.

Intensive Tracking and Supervision helps prevent placement through provision of community based family counseling, intensive supervision, and support to CHINS or delinquent youth and their families.

Group Home provides long-term residential care and emergency overnight shelter for youth between the ages of 13 and 18.

Camp Spaulding provides residential camping for children 9 – 14.

For additional information regarding available services please call us at 524-5835 or toll free at 1-800-640-6486

Respectfully submitted,
Walter T. Brown, Ph. D., LICSW

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

The Lakes Region has changed tremendously in the past 20 years. Homes and businesses have expanded along major roadways, and many of our communities have experienced dramatic change. This growth has resulted in a number of regional challenges. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is the area organization established to address the effects of growth at both the local and regional level. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers diverse direct and support services ranging from technical assistance, geographic information systems, and transportation planning, to land use and environmental planning, and economic development. The LRPC is primarily funded from local, state, and federal resources. We are contacted several times daily for answers to local issues. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the governments, businesses and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Here are some of our services performed on behalf of Sanbornton and the region in the past fiscal year:

- Sent a map of recent subdivision activity to local officials for review and comment.
- Forwarded draft job descriptions for town planners and information regarding the LRPC circuit rider program to local officials.
- Conversed with the chairman of the planning board the array of services available from the LRPC.
- Sent copies of ads, job descriptions and examples of circuit rider planner services to the then acting town administrator, as requested.
- Spoke with local officials regarding the possibility of proposing NH Route 132 for a corridor study from US Route 3 to NH Rout 104, as part of the NH Department of Transportation's special projects program.
- Provided information on warrant articles that would allow a community to sell a specific parcel of land.
- Co-hosted and organized public Municipal Law Lectures where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, zoning and other municipal issues. Recent lectures included: Growth Management and Smart Growth, Effective Enforcement of Local Land Use Decisions and Regulations, and Nonconforming Uses and Vested Rights. We also prepared for the 2003 Law Lectures, in partnership with the NH Municipal Association.
- Completed and distributed the Lakes Region Demographic Profile; a comprehensive compilation of key socioeconomic indicators from the US Census, and other data sources.
- Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development. The TAC usually advises the LRPC on projects are of regional significance.

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- Initiated the start of the Lakes Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. This planning effort will help provide a blueprint for the location of local bike and pedestrian routes.

- Hosted a National flood Insurance Program Workshop for Local Officials that provided an overview of the National Flood Insurance Program and training for local officials.

- With assistance from the Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) SEED Capacity Grant, LRPC completed a number of work products including the Demographic Profile, coordination with area economic development organizations and Main Street communities, and the computerization of town-level economic development data.

- Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement that provides the region and local communities an opportunity to respond to applications seeking state and federal aid. LRPC reviewed many proposals having a combined investment total greater than $16 million in the Lakes Region.

- Conducted over 160 traffic counts and several road inventories around the region, in cooperation with the NH Department of Transportation.

- Continued technical support to the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee, in cooperation with the NH Department of Environmental Services.

- Convened four area Commission meetings that featured Natural Resources Planning: a Lakes Region perspective. The presentations were followed by facilitated discussions that identified issues and innovative natural resource initiatives.

- Planned the 18th annual household hazardous waste collection in the Lakes Region. In FY-04, two consecutive Saturdays were designated as collection days for the 24 participating communities. An estimated 20,000 total gallons of waste were collected, containerized, and transported to EPA approved end-of-life locations around the country.

- Updated the annual Development Trends in the Lakes Region a survey of subdivision, housing construction, industrial, and commercial development

- In consultation with the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), LRPC prepared, adopted, and submitted to the NH DOT the latest regional recommendations for Transportation Enhancement Funding.

- Represented the region on several committees including: the NH Transportation Enhancement Advisory Committee, the Statewide steering committee to update the NH Airport System Plan, the Belknap County Economic Development Council, the Northern Rail Task Force, among others.

- LRPC also continues to assist start-up efforts of the recently opened Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility.

- Secured funding from the NH Emergency Management Bureau to assist local communities with the preparation of all hazard management plans.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Pantos, Administrative Assistant

NEW BEGINNINGS-A WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER REPORT

On behalf of New Beginnings – A Women's Crisis Center, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of Sanbornton for their continued support. Your 2003 allocation, of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars ($1,200.00), has enabled us to continue to provide 24-hour crisis support, outreach, and assistance to victims of domestic and sexual assault in all of Belknap County.

Our organization operates a full-time shelter, staffs a 24-hour crisis line, provides advocacy at court, hospitals, and police stations, social service advocacy, and offers peer support groups for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We also run community and school based education programs. We are members of the Belknap County Family Violence Prevention Forum, a task force made up of community members and professionals initiated by the Governor's Commission to take a stand against domestic and sexual violence in our county.

New Beginnings had advocated and staff in Belknap County courts each working day of this budget year. New Beginnings volunteers donated over 16,000 service hours. All services are provided free of charge.

We are members of the state-wide NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, promoting statewide networking and resource sharing among domestic violence and sexual assault programs. The coalition is the evaluating body and administrator of state and federal contracts that provide some funding for member programs and advocates for legislative change that affects victims of domestic and sexual assault.

This year we are requesting the Selectmen to recommend our inclusion in the 2003 budget process for 2004. We are requesting $1,200.00 from the Town of Sanbornton to continue the support of our programs.

If you need further information, please call 528-6511.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Keller, Executive Director

SANBORNTON FOOD PANTRY

I am pleased to make the report for the first Sanbornton Food Pantry.

Through the generosity of the parishioners from the First Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church and the Congregational Church, Sanbornton has its first food pantry. The churches have committed to having a monthly food drive on the first Sunday of each month so that a food pantry can be open on a regular basis.

January 15, 2004 was the first pantry. The pantry distributed 165 meals to Sanbornton residents. Five home deliveries were made by volunteers to the elderly and sick who were unable to come out in the severe cold weather. This made me realize that we have a hidden community that no one is really aware of in our every day lives, these are our friends and neighbors.

It is intended that the Sanbornton Food Pantry will be opened the third, Thursday of each month from 2 – 5 pm with an increase if the need arises. The months of February, March and April the Food Pantry will be operating out of the Vestry at the First Baptist Church on New Hampton Road. Thanks to the approval and support of the Selectmen, in May the Food Pantry will take permanent residence at the Town Hall on Meetinghouse Hill Road. The same hours of operation will continue.

I am pleased to acknowledge and express my sincere thanks to the following: The First Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church, Congregational Church, and its parishioners; Selectmen Peter Dascoulias, Guy Giunta, and Ralph Carter who supported me with this idea; residents of Sanbornton who donated money, time and items to the pantry; and the donations that were received from people outside the community.

I want to personally thank Patsy Wells for giving her time to work with me to make this idea continue to grow. A special thank you to Barbara Laughy for her time, support and use of her vehicle to pick up the USDA food and her support as a Trustee for the First Baptist Church in allowing the pantry to use the Vestry during these winter months. Without their help it would not have been possible to make the Sanbornton Food Pantry happen.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Thompson

WINNISQUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The officers and members of our all volunteer fire-rescue department would again like to extend our thanks for the continued support of the officials and residents of the Towns of Belmont and Sanbornton, and the Tilton-Northfield Fire District. Our operation is one of only three or four private fire departments in the State, certified by the State Fire Marshall. We operate under contract to the towns working under the direction and authority of the Fire Chief of the town to which we are called. We were toned for 474 calls during the year 2003, an increase of almost 10% over the previous year.

	Belmont	Tilton-Northfield	**Sanbornton**	Mutual Aid
Medical	86	53	**65**	5
Auto Accidents	28	23	**17**	3
Fire - Structure	10	5	**4**	8
Fire - Other	18	23	**14**	3
Alarm – No Fire	51	6	**18**	1
Other Calls	10	8	**8**	7
TOTALS	203	1187	**126**	27

We presently have 25 members, of which 11 are Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians, including four at the Intermediate Level of Advance Life Support. We are always open to new members. If interested contact us. About 60% of our calls were for medical problems or automobile accidents, situations that require Ambulance Response along with an Engine, so our EMT's were called upon for 280 of our calls in 2003. This is about the average in those departments that have an ambulance.

We were fortunate in that in each of the past two years, we have been awarded a matching grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The grants provide 90% of the cost, with the department responsible for the remaining 10%. With the money from the 2002 grant, we were able to purchase 12 new sets of turnout gear and two new cold water suits for ice rescue. The 2003 grant provided money for a Thermal Imaging Camera, which allow us to "look into" the walls at a house fire to locate hot spots that could cause further damage. The cost of the items covered in the two grants was over $30,000.

We operate with two engines, one built in 1980 the other in 1998, a 1997 ambulance, a four-wheel drive forestry unit on loan from the State, and our 1976 fire boat, which is the only fire/rescue boat in the water on Lake Winnisquam. All of the equipment is in good shape, except for the fire boat, which at almost 30 years old, is getting "tired", and hopefully can be replaced in 2005.

You are invited to stop by our fire station, located by the Winnisquam Bridge, and see our equipment. While we don't have a crew on duty at the station, there are often some members there who will be glad to show you around. We've had the building painted and the roof replaced over the past few years, as well as had drainage installed and paving for the parking area. The hall is available without charge for any community group, and to private parties for a minimal fee.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard W. Gray, Chief

YOUTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REPORT

The Youth Assistance Program of Northfield, Sanbornton and Tilton was formally started in 1975 by a group of citizens who felt that the youth of our towns from elementary school age through the end of high school should be served within their own communities.

Young people who get into trouble with the law may face the results of their actions without going through the court system if they are first time offenders. This saves the courts and local police time; and the towns money. Young people involved in the program will be required to face those in the community they have harmed. They also come to realize that members of the towns in which they live care enough about them as individuals to serve on volunteer boards that meet with them and their families.

A young person referred to the program by the police is required to meet with his/her parents and a program staff member. The staff member visits the home, looks into the youth's school experience and sets up a date for the young person and parent to meet with a board of staff and volunteers. This meeting is called a Juvenile Review Board. The purpose of the meeting is to design a contract that will help the young person face the consequences of his or her actions and to develop some constructive learning experiences that will help the youth keep out of further trouble with the law.

The fact that very few youths who have successfully completed their contracts get in trouble with the law again shows that the process works. Separate from the schools and the police the program is based in and for the communities it serves.

Over the years needs in our communities have changed. In addition to court diversion we are doing prevention work. Issues around drugs, violence and assault, and the illegal use of tobacco are handled in groups at the program office or at the schools. Young people and/or their parents who need information and support are welcome to visit with a staff member.

There are two professionals on staff, a volunteer board of directors with members from each of the three towns served and additional program volunteers. The three police departments, elementary, middle and high schools and town governments are represented. Other town's people are also included.

It is only with the help of these wonderful volunteers that the Youth Assistance Program is able to bring quality services to our young people and their families. And so it is at this time that we would like to extend our sincere thanks to these people and to the communities who have been unfailing in their support.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha C. Douglass, Director
Dawn B. Shimber, Associate Director

STATISTICS:

Court Diversion Cases	45
Substance Abuse Cases	18
Prevention Activities	282
Court Ordered Cases	5
Parents	56
Total Youth Participation	347

*Each youth is counted only once even if they participate in more than one activity.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

As Youth Opportunities continues to establish itself within the community, and work toward becoming more independent, (non-profit status pending), some thanks are in order. Thanks to Youth Assistance, which has been greatly responsible for the success and financial stability of YO, with much of the grant money being overseen by YAP. Thanks also to the Franklin Elks Club, Tilt'n Diner, and all who have given time and effort to our progress.

With the relocation of the YO office into WRMS, the ability to generate enthusiasm for programming has increased as well as attendance. The support that YO receives in the school district is important to all. With several collaborative efforts with student council, such as dance fundraisers, this has been a positive and beneficial year for everyone.

In the fall of 2003, YO completed another session of the ALLSTARS curriculum, with 89 sixth grade students completing the program. We will instruct the remaining 85 sixth graders in the spring of 2004. YO has secured grant money to cover the expenses for both groups.

YO continues to offer a wide variety of activities including: cooking, skate boarding, out door recreational trips, and learning experiences, for all middle and high school aged residents of Tilton, Northfield and Sanbornton.

Youth Opportunities' goals for 2004 include continuance of the skate park project, (we have almost $8000), securing more transportation options for students, and expanding our links in the community even more with continued collaborative efforts with other agencies and businesses.

For more information on Youth Opportunities, please call Wendy Kenneson, Program Director, at 286-8008.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Kenneson, Program Coordinator

SANBORNTON FARMERS MARKET, INC.

The Sanbornton Farmers' Market was held from June 20, 2003 through September 26, 2003 with 22 vendors as members. The market applied for and received an agricultural promotion grant from the NH Department of Agriculture which provided matching monies for the development of a cookbook and produce guide with locally developed/modified recipes for locally grown farmers' market produce. The cookbook also includes a produce guide that provides the in-season dates for locally grown produce, information on selecting local produce, methods for preparing local produce prior to preparation/consumption, as well as the nutritional value information for fresh foods. The King Arthur Flour Company demonstrated grilling focaccia bread on a Weber grill using fresh ingredients from the market vendors.

Several Sanbornton non-profit organizations set up tables for fund raising activities and musical groups provided entertainment. For the second year, several young people from the Belmont, NH Police Department Explorer's Post assisted the market with safety and traffic control.

The 2004 market dates are June 25 through September 24. The Sanbornton Farmer's Market, a standing committee within the Sanbornton Historical Society, was instituted in 2001. The market is open to vendors through a process within its guidelines. All are welcome to attend the market. The farmers' market website is sanbornton.org/ORGS/sfm/.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Potter

SANBORNTON HISTORICAL DOCUMENT FOUNDATION

In 2003 the Sanbornton Historical Document Foundation established a Public Collection and launched the Sanbornton Historical Digital Library, both accessible via our website (www.sanbornton.org). This was achievement was possible because of financial support from several Foundations and individuals, and because of hours of volunteer's time scanning and preparing documents. As more documents have become available online, visits to the Library have increased dramatically. In September, there was a two fold increase in visits to the Foundation website. More documents are added weekly. Our goal is to have all the historical documents of this rural community available online in digital form, preserved for all time.

In our work with the three main repositories in Sanbornton – the Town Clerk, the Library and the Historical Society – we have learned first-hand the challenges faced by the keepers of the documents. This is not unique to Sanbornton. In New Hampshire there is a lack of resources available to towns, historical societies, and libraries in the areas of assessment, management and preservation of historical documents and artifacts. Often the documents are mislabeled, not inventoried and are not properly stored. We are working with the repositories in Sanbornton, making significant progress in helping to create inventories identifying primary source documents that have historical significance.

The Foundation's need for consistent volunteer manpower has required innovation and the establishment of strong relationships with community organizations. The Sanbornton Historical Document Foundation and the Tilton School have partnered to begin a Volunteer Pilot Project that will meet needs for both organizations. The Foundation needs volunteers to scan historical documents and in some cases transcribe handwritten documents, so they will be searchable for the Sanbornton Historical Digital Library. The Tilton School requires students to complete 20 hours of community service each year and the school is required by the State of NH to have a local history component in the curriculum as part of their accreditation requirements. This Project appropriately covers all of the bases: students have a meaningful work experience and the opportunity to increase their technology skills while meeting their school requirement, Tilton School fulfills its state obligations and mandate to the students, and the Foundation benefits from the additions of design and substance the students' Project brings to the Digital Library. We are optimistic that the Project will be successful and become a regular part of programming for both organizations.

Over the past year, we developed our involvement and connection to the historical community in New Hampshire, participating in annual meetings and attending workshops. Our experience in Sanbornton is replicated all over the state. The Association of Historical Societies of NH conducted a survey to assess the needs of their membership. We will work with the Association to address those identified needs, collaborating to strengthen the infrastructure and resources available in NH for historical societies and preservation organizations.

We are pleased that in 2003 we have had 4,452 visitors to our website and look forward to more visitors in 2004. If you want more information and/or to volunteer, please contact us.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Mayo
Coordinator

SANBORNTON OLD HOME DAY

Sanbornton has held an annual summer celebration or event for families for over a hundred years since its first observance of "Old Home Week" in 1900, as a time for community reunions. This year a Country Fair was held on the grounds of the First Baptist Church on Saturday, August 2. Live music performances were donated by local musicians Foo Fa Raw, Brian and Mary Mokler, members of the NH Strathspey and Reel Society, Stuart Dyment and Bert Whetstone. A Children's Activities Area was staffed by Magician Mr. Phil, Recreation Coordinator Julie Lonergan and volunteers. Thirty vendors, including local artists and crafters, exhibited or sold paintings, quilts and other hand-made items, t-shirts, books and more. There was food: lunch, snacks, baked goods and delicious desserts. Non-profit groups provided information about their activities and raised money in a variety of different ways. Chapel Valley 4H members did face painting; the Winnisquam Bears Football Club sold raffle tickets; and Tilton's Main Street Program urged everyone to adopt a turtle for a race on the Winnipesaukee River. The Fire Department offered tours of a fire truck and information on fire safety. The Public Library raised money for its building program with a drawing for a handmade quilt.

The members of the Chapel Valley 4H Club organized a Saturday morning parade along route 127 that included police cars, fire engines, horses and riders, bicycles, ATV's, groups of marchers and floats by Heritage Farm, Moulton's Band, Chapel Valley 4H Club and the Second Baptist Church. The 4th Annual Sanbornton Open Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Congregational Church, was held at Den Brae Golf Course on Saturday afternoon. The Mohawk Trail Riders Snow Mobile Club put on a chicken barbecue at Den Brae on Saturday evening.

The festivities included a reunion of those who attended Sanbornton's one-room schoolhouses or the Sanbornton Central School which consolidated the small schools in 1949. Organized by Roberta Skeats Stearns Yadoe of Exeter, NH and New York City, who mounted a wonderful exhibit of old photos and other memorabilia, the reunion was held at the Second Baptist Church on Friday, August 1, and drew a good attendance despite heavy rain. Also on Friday, the Sanbornton's Farmers' Market, with twenty vendors in its third year of operation, was held in the Square. The Sanbornton Historical Society hosted an open house with free tours at the Lane Tavern on both Friday and Saturday.

On Sunday, August 3, the traditional town-wide, union church service was held at the First Baptist Church. Prizes were awarded to the oldest and youngest persons present and the individual who had come from the greatest distance. Alta Hersey is now Sanbornton's oldest inhabitant; she was presented with the Boston Post Cane by Elizabeth Cotsibas and Richard Currier, whose father George Currier was the prior holder of the Cane. The church service was followed by a Baked Ham Dinner and a musical program, "A Patriotic Salute."

(Sanbornton Old Home Day continued)

A Horseshoe Tournament, sponsored by the Salmon Brook Trail Riders, at the Town Park on Sunday afternoon concluded the Old Home Days observance.

The Old Home Days Committee consisted of representatives from town churches, organizations and businesses. Thirty local businesses took ads on a map that located all the events and included a program that was mailed to every household in Sanbornton. Four local businesses and the Police Relief Association donated prizes for a drawing at the Country Fair. The Committee wishes to thank all those who supported the 2003 Old Home Days. The 2004 Old Home Days will take place on August 6-8. To join the Committee, call 286-8303 and ask for the Recreation Coordinator.

SANBORNTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Organized in 1952, the Historical Society has its headquarters in the Lane Tavern, a 19th century drovers inn and stagecoach stop in Sanbornton Square on Route 132, the old Boston to Montreal road. The Society holds its meetings at the Tavern on the first Wednesday of each month from April through October at 7:30pm, followed by programs that are open to the public free of charge.

In 2004, programs will include:

April 7 "Barns and Stonewalls: How they shape the N.H. landscape" – Presenter: Steve Taylor

May 5 Tour of the Sant Bani School, Sanbornton (program begins at 7:00pm)

June 2 The Diaries (1862-1863) of Harriet E. Burleigh, Sanbornton author. Presenter: Colleen King

July 7 Bridges Across Time: The covered bridges of N.H. Presenter: Kenneth Olsen

Aug 4 The late 18th Century as seen through the eyes of Ebenezer Webster, local man of distinction. Presenter: Andy Cheney

Sept 1 Steamboating in the Lakes Region. Presenter: David Witham

The annual meeting with supper and musical entertainment will be held on October 6th beginning at 6:30pm. Special events will include a Flea Market on June 12 (9am-3pm); an open house and Old Time Tavern Supper on July 10 (6:00pm) and the Christmas Greens and Crafts Sale on December 4 (9am-3pm).

During 2003, the Society was pleased to welcome the participants in the Farmers' Market as members, with its leadership constituting a standing committee of the organization and with representation on the Society's governing Board. The Farmers' Market will be held every Friday (3pm – 6pm) from June 25 to September 24, 2004. We look forward to another year of positive collaboration and accomplishment with this energetic group.

Information concerning membership in the Society, rental of the Lane Tavern for private functions, programming or preservation may be obtained by contacting President Linda Salatiello at 286-4526 or Vice-President Darlene Sellars at 286-4070.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Salatiello

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE	PLACE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER'S NAME MOTHER'S NAME
01-09-2003	Sanbornton	Ivester, Mason Owen	Ivester, Shawn Ivester, Guylaine
02-10-2003	Laconia	Gosselin, Faith Lynda	Gosselin, Thomas Gosselin, Irene
02-22-2003	Lebanon	Burns, Kadin Richard	Burns, Jeffery Burns, Andrea
03-16-2003	Concord	Auger, Eveline Ophelia	Auger, Scott Auger, Kimberly
03-21-2003	Franklin	McDaniels, Quintin Lee	McDaniels, Frank McDaniels, Victoria
03-31-2003	Laconia	Smith, Carter Gordon	Smith, Douglas Smith, Anna
04-11-2003	Laconia	Tobin, Riley Marshal	Bezanson-Perkins, Jeremy Tobin, Jennifer
04-15-2003	Manchester	Horne, Declan Charles	Horne, Jason Horne, Christina
05-10-2003	Concord	Wilkinson, Toby Andrew	Wilkinson, J Wilkinson, Kirsten
06-29-2003	Concord	Mathews, Dezirae Rose	Mathews, Christian Mathews, Samantha
07-21-2003	Laconia	Foss, Dagen Michael	Foss, Kevin Foss, Nicole
08-03-2003	Concord	Lang, Timothy Peter	Lang, Timothy Lang, Kelly
08-07-2003	Laconia	Morrison, Leighton Allen	Morrison Thomas Morrison, Ursula
08-11-2003	Plymouth	Clark, Nicholas Everett	Clark, Everett Clark, Kerry
09-02-2003	Concord	Braun, Zachary Carl	Braun, Carl Braun, Vicki

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003
(Continued)

DATE	PLACE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER'S NAME MOTHERS NAME
09-08-2003	Lebanon	Mango, Garret Michael	Mango, Scott Mango, Mikel
09-15-2003	Concord	Pearsall, Charlotte Eloise	Pearsall, Christian Pearsall, Brooke
10-17-2003	Franklin	Bardusk, Winter Ireland	Bardusk, Scott Bardusk, Lynn
11-18-2003	Laconia	Nowack, Ethan Aquino	Nowack, Hoon Nowack, Lilybeth
12-09-2003	Laconia	Rotonnelli, Kelsey Susan	Rotonnelli, David Rotonnelli, Amanda
12-31-2003	Concord	Johnston, Erika-Juliana J.	Johnston, Stephen Johnston, Roberta

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

NAMES	DATE	RESIDENCE
Dupont, Richard H	01-19-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Garside, Sheryll A.		Sanbornton, NH
Fortin, Jason J.	02-01-2003	Plymouth, NH
Cram, Sharolyn J.		Sanbornton, NH
Gammon, Norman H	02-06-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Wellington-Harsell Elizabeth A.		Gilford, NH
Woodward, Wallace W.	02-22-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Gomez, Ana M.		Sanbornton, NH
Ferrari, Michael J.	05-17-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Kalantzis, Elizabeth V.		Manchester, NH
Laughy, Jesse J.	05-27-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Hardwick, Heidi S.		Sanbornton, NH
Whitehead, Mark D.	05-24-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Nadeau, Desiree M.		Sanbornton, NH
Lawrence, Gregory C.	06-14-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Turley, Nicole R.		Laconia, NH
Burns, Aaron P.	06-14-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Parker, Carri A.		Sanbornton, NH
Kane, Devin A.	08-16-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Rivard, Jennifer L.		Sanbornton, NH
Griffin, Steven	09-20-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Wellman, Melisssa M		Sanbornton, NH

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003
(Continued)

NAMES	DATE	RESDIENCE
Foster, Mark J.	09-27-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Yeakel, Amy M.		Sanbornton, NH
Secord, Richard T.	10-18-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Saner, Nancy T.		Sanbornton, NH
Elliott, Chad H.	10-25-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Bailey, Tara L.		Sanbornton, NH
Lyden, James M	10-30-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Morris, Barbara A.		Sanbornton, NH
Jacques, Mark W	11-29-2003	Gilmanton, NH
Jacques, Krista M.		Sanbornton, NH
Schrader, Nicholas I.	12-27-2003	Sanbornton, NH
Gaydos, Erica L.		Sanbornton, NH

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE	PLACE	FATHER'S NAME MOTHER'S NAME
Montgovery, William S.	01-05-2003	Franklin	Montgomer, Wescott Laramie, Bertha
Rayno, Robert J	01-08-2003	Laconia	Rayno, Henry Trottier, Mary
Theberge, Aime A.	04-12-2003	Sanbornton	Theberge, Ludger Breton, Eva
Rice, Marjorie G.	04-22-2003	Laconia	Elliott, Warren Lamper, Ethel
Griffin, Linda J.	04-26-2003	Concord	Perry, Thomas Duncan, Jean
Smart, Barbara	05-11-2003	Laconia	Goudie, George Moore, Harriet
Currier, George S.	05-29-2003	Franklin	Currier, J. Smith, Vienna
Morrison, Terri L.	07-06-2003	Sanbornton	Morrison, Thomas Forsyth, Lynda
Veloski, Bernard F.	08-09-2003	Laconia	Veloski, Andrew Harzinski, Agnes
Reichstein, Kenneth J.	08-13-2003	Sanbornton	Reichstein, Abram Siegel, Mollie
Leone, Benjamin W.	08-22-2003	Laconia	Leone, Benjamin Marasco, Adelaide
Bernard, Florence C.	08-23-2003	Sanbornton	Lee, John Oliver, Mary
Matcheski, John M.	10-19-2003	Concord	Matcheski, John Klotz, Cecilia

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SANBORNTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003 (Continued)

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE	PLACE	FATHER'S NAME MOTHER'S NAME
Montgomery, Harriet	11-19-2003	Laconia	Bochat, Alexander Jilke, Agnes
Boyd, Charles H.	11-30-2003	Laconia	Boyd, Herbert Rogers, Eunice
Ellis, Carl A.	12-06-2003	Sanbornton	Ellis, Carl Wilkens, Mildred

2003 COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND TOWN PERSONNEL

For the period January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

General Gov. Bldgs	Vicki Fantozzi	5,394.31
	David Lonergan	420.00
	Gary Shaffer	5,271.41
Health and Zoning	William Tobin	391.40
	James Wells	458.45
Highway Department	Shirley Griffin	49,080.25
	Mark Jenness	38,068.86
	Brian Nelson	32,517.60
	Walter Joslyn	20,963.68
	Guy Giunta III	11,146.92
	David Grant	19,902.01
	S.L. Howes, Jr.	7,645.14
	Timothy Read	532.51
	Jeremy Bezanson-Perkins	9,161.21
	Ralph Carter	612.00
Moderator	Donald Foudriat	200.00
Overseer of Public Welfare	Christine Thompson	1,250.00
	Evelyn Auger	409.46
	Edward Tierney	90.22
Planning Board	Katie Decarteret	390.00
	Christine Thompson	275.00
	Linda Salatiello	461.50
Police Department	Richard Robinson	47,098.98
	Mark Barton	42,436.54
	Gavin MacDonald	42,988.53
	Stephen Hankard	39,077.82
	Jeff Buskey	44,433.85
	Mark Magoon	38,412.30
	Earl Gage	4,475.25
	Trisha Goss	25,546.80
	Tracey Trammell	7,982.78
	Valerie Russell	2,520.57
	Stephen Houton	963.28
	Lester Milton	3,345.31
	Paul Moller	26,254.20

Compensation includes payment for other duties. Payment from multiple line items. Includes compensation in lieu of insurance benefits and/or police special details.

2003 COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND TOWN PERSONNEL *(continued)*

For the period January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

Recreation Department	Julie Lonergan	16,527.13
	Mary Daly	13,439.32
	Suzanne Penney	3,170.00
	Jessica McKenney	4,569.50
	Shelby Reed	301.50
	Kari-Ann Gaudette	920.75
	Katharine LaCroix	2,648.26
	Patrick Ahern	953.39
	Sarah Deleault	1,935.00
	Traci Caruso	660.00
	Sarah Ahern	2,825.00
	Laura Ahern	1,930.51
Selectmen	Peter Dascoulais	2,500.00
	Guy Giunta	1,771.36
	Ralph Carter	2,500.00
	Thomas Salatiello	519.84
Selectmen's Office	Joanne Dover	14,166.58
	John Bobula	2,969.99
	Mary Williams	29,706.99
	Stacey Atherton	25,246.65
	Linda Jamele	19,638.27
	Terry Hersh	3,047.61
	Jackie Lavoie	2,740.00
	Christine Thompson	646.68
Town Clerk & Tax Collector	Jane Goss	36,599.26
Deputy Town Clerk Tax Collector	Lurana Joslyn	20,953.54
	Patricia Begin	150.00
	Trisha Goss	150.00
Transfer Station	Mary O'Neil	29,773.31
	June Plummer	15,554.37
	Richard Hunkins	6,097.17
	Jane Goodwin	14,352.89
	David Dow	532.50
	Ed Steinhauer	3,632.44
	Cliffard Steinhauer	1,935.70
Treasurer	Susan Shannon	3,723.23
Trustees of Trust Funds	John Bobula	200.00
	Terry Hersh	173.70
	Curt McGee	26.30
	Ann Cioffi	88.78

Compensation includes payment for other duties. Payment from multiple line items. Includes compensation in lieu of insurance benefits and/or police special details.

2003 COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND TOWN PERSONNEL *(continued)*

For the period January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

ZBA	Ann Littlefield	793.00
Budget Committee	Andrea J. Damato	1,104.00
	Sandra Leighton	110.00
Cemeteries	Sally Hibberd	2,000.00
Conservation	Deborah Lynch	500.00
Elections & Registrations	Sheila Dodge	280.00
	Phyllis Chamberlain	75.00
	Robert Bodwell	75.00
	Everett Joslyn	250.00
	Donna Dascoulias	75.00
	Martha Wilson	75.00
	Phyllis Auger	195.00
	Mary Earley	85.00
	Trisha Goss	400.00
Emergency Management	Stanley Barnes	108.00
	Jon Sanborn	783.00
Fire Department	Jerry Busby	43,655.20
	Linda Surowiec	1,218.00
	Louisa Simpson	1,073.00
	Dennis Paquet	1,758.13
	Benjamin Downes	246.50
	Stephanie Read	619.88
	Jennifer Lebel	94.25
	Jon Sanborn	1,069.60
	Gregory Gagnon	271.88
	Celina Dykstra	1,261.50
	Craig Simpson	1,307.63
	Gary Courtney	348.00
	Mark Foster	399.13
	Eric Jensen	311.54
	Scott Taylor	1,160.38
	Paul Moore	1,388.63
	Benjamin Burlingame	1,489.32
	Raymond Smith	1,127.17
	Catherine Wilson	384.25
	Stephen Surowiec	2,000.00

Compensation includes payment for other duties. Payment from multiple line items. Includes compensation in lieu of insurance benefits and/or police special details.

❖ BUSINESS HOURS ❖

Selectmen's Office

Monday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wednesday	noon - 4:00 pm
Wednesday - Board of Selectmen's Meeting	Begins at 6:30 pm
Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Town Clerk-Tax Collector

Monday	8:00 am - 7:30 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wednesday	noon - 4:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Transfer Station/Recycling Center

Saturday	7:30 am - 4:00 pm
Monday - (July and August)	12 noon - 5:00 pm
Wednesday - Winter (weather permitting)	12 noon - 4:00 pm
Wednesday - (Spring, Summer and Fall)	8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sanbornton Public Library

Tuesday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	1:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 12 noon

Sanbornton Post Office

Monday - Friday	7:30 - 1:30 and 3:00 - 5:00
Saturday	8:00 am - 12 noon

❖ MEETING SCHEDULE ❖

Board of Selectmen	Every Wednesday	6:30 pm
Budget Committee	3rd Tuesday	7:00 pm
Cemetery Committee	4th Thursday	7:00 pm
Conservation Commission	2nd Thursday	7:00 pm
Highway Safety/TAC (*at L/S Bldg*)	4th Thursday	7:00 pm
Library Trustees (*at Library*)	3rd Tuesday	7:00 pm
Planning Board - Work Session	1st Thursday	7:30 pm
- Hearings	3rd Thursday	7:30 pm
Recreation Commission	2nd Tuesday	7:00 pm
Trustees of Trust Funds	2nd Thursday	5:00 pm
Zoning Board of Adjustment	4th Tuesday	7:00 pm

All meetings are held in the Town Offices unless otherwise noted, and the public is always welcome to attend.

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